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Mrs. Meir returns

MRS. Meir has returned home after her visit to the U.S., and it is plain that she has returned feeling more confident of continuing American friendship than when she left. She has made no secret of the fact that she has not brought back any promise of more hardware in the "capacious shopping bag" which she jokingly said she was taking with her when she left 12 days ago.

We have other and still more basic needs with respect to U.S. policy at top level, and events in India may be instructive in this connection. There is a good deal of sympathy in Israel for the people of Bengal, whose properly elected new government was overthrown and its majority party banned last year because it did not suit West Pakistan, with all the subsequent oppression and violence that caused the terrible Hindu exodus. The U.S. has been outspoken in its support, not of Pakistan attitudes, and certainly not of the violence that was used in East Pakistan after the elections, but of Pakistan rights, in opposition to India's attempt to break up East Pakistan as a legitimate political entity.

The fighting in Bangla Desh was not forcibly prevented by the U.S., and every attempt at a cease-fire resolution by the Security Council was frustrated by a Soviet veto. Nevertheless there is a principle involved here that could become of the utmost importance to us.

Egypt's President Sadat may or may not order the shooting to start again by the end of the year, now so close, and if he does so, he may try to claim that he has a U.N. mandate to force an Israel withdrawal. He might even obtain Soviet support for such an argument. It might matter a great deal under such circumstances whether we have understanding for our essential defence posture in at least one of the great powers which cannot, together, make the U.N. work for peace, but can each separately prevent the abuse of the U.N. Security Council as an instrument for war.

The U.N.'s stocks can never have stood so low as they do now with regard to the prevention of military action, and the need for secure boundaries has never been more conspicuous. Yet, however little faith there may now be in the "international guarantees" which were so fashionable only a few years back, the certainty of support of Israel's sovereign rights at the U.N. could still be of the greatest significance. In the past this question has never come up in its most acute form, but it is not impossible that it might do so in the future. We would then be in need of the close understanding of our position with which Mrs. Meir appears to have met with during her visit.

MEIR RETURNS; OPTIMISTIC ON U.S. INTENTIONS

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

LOD AIRPORT. — Prime Minister Golda Meir returned home from her American mission yesterday evening with an optimistic report on U.S. intentions towards Israel. She trusted that her meeting with President Nixon would be followed up "with deeds and the right conclusion."

Mrs. Meir declined to be drawn on the question of U.S. supplies of Phantom jet fighters.

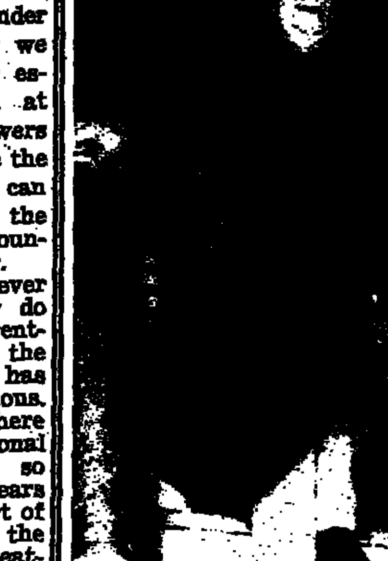
She told reporters that her conversation with President Nixon was "open and friendly, and all our problems were aired. I found an understanding of Israel's problems."

The press conference was held in the airport restaurant, with Deputy Premier Yigal Allon sitting next to the Premier. There was no formal ceremony when Mrs. Meir descended from the El plane which brought her from the U.S. Present to greet the Prime Minister were members of the Cabinet, Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Haim Bar-Lev and members of the diplomatic corps, led by the Doyen, Liberian Ambassador Jerome Yancy, and U.S. Ambassador Walworth Barbour.

Asked what she had brought in her "shopping basket," Mrs. Meir responded with a smile: "My basket? Ah, I forgot that altogether. After all, its not that important whether it comes in a basket or in a parcel..."

Mrs. Meir said that U.S. intentions towards Israel "are always of the best, even when there are disagreements between us.

"I had an opportunity to talk things over with Secretary of State William Rogers and his assistant, Mr. Sisco, for a number of hours in an attempt to clarify misunderstandings and concepts. We clarified what, to our mind, the U.S. should and should not do."



Prime Minister Golda Meir leaves the El Al jumbo jet which brought her to Lod Airport from New York last night. (IPPA photo)

The Premier noted that in her talks with Mr. Nixon, "just as on previous occasions, I found him an excellent listener. I left the meeting with the feeling, just as on previous occasions, that the President realizes our problems, understands them, and grasps the difficulties that have arisen in the course of time."

Mrs. Meir declared that she could hardly convey a full report on this occasion on the content of her conversation with Mr. Nixon. But she noted that she had been lucky in the matter of timing: "If I had put off my departure even for a few days it is doubtful whether I could have succeeded in obtaining a meeting with President Nixon because of developments in India and Pakistan, which began to occupy all his time."

Summing up her talks with the U.S. Administration, she said: "I have the feeling that things were clarified, and that they will lead to deeds and produce good conclusions."

Queried on how seriously the Americans took Egypt's threats of war, Mrs. Meir replied: "I am not the person who has to say the extent of seriousness with which the U.S. takes Egyptian pronouncements. But I met no one who could assure me that Sadat would not act."

She said that she had clarified to President Nixon "all of our problems and I found him most understanding. To the best of my knowledge, when a President of the United States of America promised us something, he never disappointed us." Here she made a further comment: "I am not referring to any commitments made to us."

She said that there had always been differences of opinion between the U.S. and Israel, "but from a fundamental point of view we have never had any doubt about the basic understanding and concern that the U.S. holds for Israel and its security." She felt that as a result of her visit "we understand each other better."

Asked whether her visit had helped with Israel's financial problems, Mrs. Meir responded that she had found among Senators and Congressmen "unlimited friendship for Israel and a readiness to help us, and there was no contradiction between the President's position and that of Congress on this matter."

In an obvious reference to Mr. Rogers' reported statement to Se-

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Over-eager aide hits Golda's jet

LYDDA AIRPORT. — A car collided with El Al's jumbo jet on the runway here last night, minutes after it had landed with Prime Minister Golda Meir on board. The car, driven by a member of Mrs. Meir's staff, was on its way to pick up the Prime Minister's luggage.

The car hit the under-section of the aircraft and oil began leaking out of the plane. El Al technicians said the damage was not serious and the plane would be fit to take off on schedule today. *(Itim)*

Israel envoys 'seem logical' in Moscow to handle flow of emigrants

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The appointment of Israeli officials to represent their country's interests through the Dutch Embassy in Moscow — suggested by Russian journalist Victor Louis in yesterdays "Yediot Ahronot" — would seem a logical step, observers said here last night.

But the report, which also said Soviet officials might be named to handle Moscow's interests through the Finnish Embassy in Israel, was no more than speculation for the present, Soviet sources said.

Such an arrangement, similar to that which the U.S. has with the Spanish Embassy in Egypt, would give Moscow a voice in Israel, for which it has felt a growing need in recent months.

Diplomatic observers saw the fact that the U.S. has direct links with both Israel and Egypt, whereas Moscow has no communications with the Israelis, as leaving the Kremlin at a distinct disadvantage in Middle Eastern diplomacy.

A Post reporter adds:

Soviet diplomats in a number of world capitals are known to have been dropping hints during recent months that some sort of exchange of Soviet and Israeli diplomats may be in the offing, it was learned yesterday from authoritative sources in Jerusalem. Remarks to that effect have been made during casual meetings between Soviet and Israel envoys at diplomatic receptions, but have never reached the stage of formal proposals. Similar hints are also reported to have been voiced by representatives of the Russian Orthodox Church in Jerusalem, who expressed the hope that before long Israel officials could again be stationed in Moscow.

Commenting on the report by Victor Louis, Foreign Ministry sources said yesterday that the "Government has not been approached by anyone on this matter." Should such an approach be made, the Government would discuss the idea, it was stated.

Louis said in his cable that "for some time the opinion has been voiced in Moscow that the current migration is likely to make such an exchange necessary." He said that, not only are the Soviet emigration officials overworked, but so are the members of the Netherlands Embassy, which has bene handling Israeli affairs since the break in diplomatic relations. in 1967.

EXODUS SUPPORTERS

Louis reported that emigration had reached an unprecedented rate of some 100 a day. The "unexpected explanation" for this was the fact that the exodus had two supporters: the Soviet airline Aeroflot and the Soviet Transport Ministry.

He said these two organizations had asked emigration officials to make special efforts to process applications rapidly so that the airline and the railways to Vienna could fill their annual quotas.

The flow of emigration applications had not been stopped by the reports that 400 Georgian Jews allegedly wanted to return to the Soviet Union from Israel, Louis reported. But he said that one official told him that several scores of applications had been cancelled.

Louis said that any Jews returning from Israel enjoyed many privileges over other Soviet citizens, as they were considered "political immigrants," who had been disenchanted by the way of life outside the Soviet Union.

Indian troops within nine kms. of Dacca

Indian paratroopers advanced to within nine kms. of the centre of Dacca yesterday, bringing the Pakistani defenders within range of their artillery, an Indian spokesman reported in New Delhi. He said the Indians would be in a position to capture Dacca within 24 to 28 hours.

General Sam Manekshaw, chief of staff of the Indian Army, broadcast an appeal to Pakistani commanders in Dacca to surrender. But a pooled dispatch by American correspondents in Dacca said Gen. A.A.K. Niazi, the Pakistan commander there, vowed to fight to the last.

"Our army will either live honourably or perish for our cause," he said.

A military spokesman in Calcutta said the Indian paratroopers, dropped Saturday and later reinforced, had overcome heavy resistance to advance to the Lakmya River ferry crossing nine kms. northeast of the heart of the city. Other Indian columns advanced with tanks and armoured personnel carriers to within 19 kms. of Dacca.

General Manekshaw sent a message last night to the Pakistani commanders saying "My forces are now closing in around Dacca. Your garrisons there are now under the range of their artillery. Further resistance is senseless."

He appealed to the Pakistanis to remove civilians and foreign nationals from the line of fire should they decide to fight and added, "I hope you will not compel me to reduce your garrison by use of force."

Neutral planes flew 435 foreign nationals out of Dacca Sunday and only a small, group of foreign newsmen and diplomatic officials was left. Dacca dispatches said many of the people had fled into the countryside to avoid being caught in the battle for the city.

A pooled dispatch from Dacca said Bengalis are downcast and Pakistanis jubilant at apparently groundless reports that the U.S. Seventh Fleet is on its way to take some part in the conflict.

Correspondents in the Dacca area report the military situation seems static. A Pakistani colonel 35 kms. northwest of Dacca says the position of Indian paratroopers around Tangail means that they have not moved since they were dropped. The colonel also says the original Indian battalion was reinforced and has medium artillery carried by helicopters.

The colonel estimated the Indians would take at least four days to reach Dacca.

Reporters say the ragged Pakistan front line is manned by militiamen and other auxiliaries. *(UPI, AP)*

Council puts off vote

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — The Security Council put off until late yesterday a vote on a U.S. resolution for a cease-fire and troop withdrawal between India and Pakistan. The resolution is basically a copy of one the Soviet Union vetoed December 5.

'Bormann died when allies entered Berlin'

FRANKFURT (AFP). — A West German investigating judge has concluded that Martin Bormann, Hitler's deputy, apparently died on May 2, 1945, when the Allied forces entered Berlin. Judge Horst von Glasnap announced this to the press yesterday at the conclusion of a four-year inquiry and said that all other speculation as to Bormann's fate was "without foundation."

SAPIR REJECTS 'CHEAP SMEARS' AND SLANDERS

By SHALOM COHEN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir yesterday stoutly repudiated what he called "cheap smears and slander" aimed at himself and the Government's "economic methods," but he pledged that "full consequences" would be applied if allegations of economic mismanagement and malpractice now being investigated are substantiated.

Mr. Sapir charged that certain (newspaper) publicists and critics were seizing on the current wave of alleged economic scandals to wage a campaign against himself and the Government. Mr. Sapir gesticulated, smiled and frowned, raised and lowered his voice, "We can be proud of the system," he declared, augmenting this with figures of industrial and agricultural growth, of exports and reasearch development.

After dealing with the developments leading to the receivership of Autocars, a "private capitalist concern," he said that British Leyland had gone back on its undertaking to expand and invest more funds in its vehicle-assembly here. He also referred to how Vered had over-extended its overseas operations, and said: "If I examine myself as a partner of the system, I say one must judge by results." The economic achievements spoke louder than the armchair "know-alls," he said. Any failures, mistakes, headlines, were amply balanced by the living facts. He cited "objective international" reports as lauding Israel's economic development.

The Government — i.e. the Treasury—was wholly objective in granting incentive awards, grants, loans and so forth.

This "positive balance does not free us from learning lessons, however painful," Mr. Sapir said. He called for a sense of proportion, adding that he would not mention the impact and damage of the "scandal reports" on the outside world.

PERSONAL REMARKS

Mr. Sapir opened with what he called some personal remarks. There were stories going the rounds that he ran the State from his "pocket diary." Rejecting the "compliment," he said the Treasury also had a Deputy Minister, Director-General, and his assistants, and over 200 economists and legal experts. Moreover, about 60 days in the year he was abroad on missions, including raising funds for Israel. The "little pocket-book" story was a slander. He gave an equivalent chain of command figures for the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

"Sapir concludes multi-million dollar deals in his car, and by passing notes," he quoted from his critics. "I never knew that it was forbidden to take and talk with hitchhikers," although "I generally like to sleep in the car." Anyone showing him such a *petek* (note) would get a tenth of his salary as a prize, he said.

He ridiculed talk of a "Sapir Fund," and outlined his work of fund-raising, particularly for the education and health services. He was proud to be associated with this, he said, running off figures.

Mr. Sapir then turned to "something which maybe someone says is improper, but I do not." Sometimes students, or settlements, approached him about "stipends." He had "obtained help here and there for the Hebrew University," for "Harzfeld's college," and for a "lady, known to at least one person in this chamber, Mrs. Katznelson (M.K. Shmuel Tamir's sister) whom I sent — around the same time I sent Kibbutz Alonim to Leyland or Autocars — to get IL30,000 from some place. Maybe for the 'aesthetes' this is a sin, but they included some who want to get stipends in memory of some deceased."

After his "personal" comments Mr. Sapir went on to the "vehicle industry." He numbered the Ministers of Transport and Commerce who had handled this. It was a somewhat complex matter, he said. In 1951, "they began searching for industry in a country which had none." Invoking the times of Ben-Gurion and Sharett, he noted that then he served as Director-General of the Defence Ministry.

Mr. Sapir's rather disjointed account included the following: The production of fibre-glass cars began in 1958. Among the first partners he mentioned was Shubinsky — who testified before the Knesset Economic Committee yesterday.

"In 1959 they decided on exposing vehicles (to foreign competition). Today we spend $60m. a year on vehicle imports, excluding spares."

Shifting gears to 1961, Mr. Sapir recalled the decision to purchase buses from Leyland, "the world's fifth biggest." Jumping to 1965, Koor and Central Investment Company "joined the big company, with 50 per cent, Leyland having 20 in 1967, negotiations between Leyland and Ilin failed." The same year, Leyland's contract was extended for two years. "I know that Anglo-Jewry's leaders, and not only they, wanted friendship with Israel, and did not want Leyland to leave, like some that think Barclay's Bank shouldn't leave."

Mr. Sapir suddenly switched to the Ilin vehicle plant in Nazareth, still producing Jeeps for the Army, and how he had felt about the workers' plea (on danger threatened dismissal).

TAKEOVER BID

Mr. Sapir went on to talk of the takeover bid by Til, Leyland Koor, and Central, and trailed off, moving on to another episode.

"In 1970 a quarrel began between the parents. It was Leyland that caused the split. Leyland undertook to inject more funds, directors, and take on 53 per cent of the thing.

"In 1970, the quarrel began anew. Koor and Central pulled out. I told Friedman and Amit that they would carry 51 per cent of any loss, Leyland went back on its 51 per cent undertaking, and I told Leyland here and in London they had a moral obligation. Koor and Central said they did not want to sit with Shubinsky, that either they bought the lot, or they sell. Leyland refused, and paid them IL2m. cash."

Mr. Sapir went on to deliver a lightning survey on Vered's problems and then informed the Knesset on new Government measures to tighten supervision of Government corporations.

'Negev has uranium for nuclear plant'

TEL AVIV. — The phosphates in the Negev contain enough uranium for the operation of a nuclear power station, Mr. David Kanziel, a member of the Atomic Energy Commission said in a television interview yesterday. He said he did not know if there was enough uranium for more than one station.

Mr. Kanziel was interviewed at the founding meeting of the Israel Nuclear Society in Beersheba yesterday. (See earlier story on page 9).

The Director-General of the Development Ministry, Mr. Yosef Vardi, said on the same programme that under present conditions the price of power supplied by a nuclear station would be higher than electricity produced by a conventional station while the plant would cost $100m. more. *(Itim)*

China troop moves

NEW DELHI (AP). — An official Indian spokesman said yesterday that India has detected Chinese troop movements evidently designed "to show political solidarity with Pakistan."

"We are aware of certain movements which the Chinese are making in certain areas," the spokesman said when asked at a press briefing about whether there had been any deployment of Chinese armed forces along the Indian frontier.

"We believe that this must be a part of efforts designed to show political solidarity with Pakistan."

The spokesman also said India believed China "has nothing to gain" by intervening in the India-Pakistan war. *(AP, Reuter)*

RENEWAL OF FIRE EXPECTED

By ZEEV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — With only 17 more days left of President Sadat's "year of decision," observers believe that a resumption of hostilities, before or around the year's end, is likely. Defence Ministry and army circles are alert to such a possibility. However, very little tension is evident (apart from some cancellation of trips to Israel by foreign visitors, reportedly less due to Egyptian threats than to Israel's serious acknowledgement of them).

In the event of war, Israel will now, because of the present frontiers, be able to make use of "defence in depth" for the first time. The situation will enable Israel more or less to decide on the time and place of battle. Israel will also be able to maintain its offensive potential and take its time in probing for soft spots in the Egyptian defences.

The three basic options open to the Egyptians remain unchanged. They could resume the war of attrition, possibly on a much more intensive scale than before and accompanied by helicopter-carried raids or other commando attacks into central Sinai.

The Egyptians might alternatively try to gain a foothold along a limited sector of the Israeli side of the Canal and attempt to hold on to it until a cease-fire is called.

Finally, and least likely, the Egyptians could attempt an all-out Canal crossing.

Meanwhile the Egyptians are reported to be continuing with the evacuation of their Canal-side towns. About 800,000 persons from this area are already living in the interior.

The target of the Egyptians in any future renewal of hostilities was in fact summarized by Sadat two years ago. At the time he was still Nasser's deputy. Speaking at a trade union congress on November 1, 1969, he said: "The philosophy of the enemy (Israel) is based on the preservation of his men in all possible ways. He is less sensitive to the loss of equipment. Our strategy should therefore be to inflict as many casualties as possible day after day."

The evacuation of the civil populations from the forward areas, the recent mass inoculations and finally the talk of the possibility of heavy losses by Egyptian leaders recalls much of the eve-of-war atmosphere which prevailed during the month of May 1967.

Eban attacks draft

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban yesterday denounced Egyptian-supported proposals in the General Assembly on the Middle East question. He said the proposal would consolidate the deadlock in the peace talks.

Addressing the 132-nation body as it moved towards a vote on three draft resolutions, he said Israel accepted two other proposals, each of which would enable Israel to make contact with U.N. peace envoy Dr. Gunnar Jarring "on the morrow of their adoption."

A resolution introduced on Saturday by Barbados Ambassador Waldo E. Waldron-Ramsey would have the Assembly call on U Thant to "reactivate the mission of the special representative" and call on the parties to "resume immediately the conversations under the auspices of the special representative with a view to concluding a peace agreement."

Mr. Eban said that if this draft were adopted, Israel would be able the next morning to resume cooperation with Dr. Jarring in talks which it was never Israel's wish to have suspended.

He equally accepted the draft of Costa Rica and Uruguay, introduced yesterday, which also requested the parties to "agree to renew negotiations" through the Jarring mission.

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Social and Personal

The President, Mr. Zalman Shazar, yesterday received Mr. Reuven Alkalai, the lexicographer, who presented the President with a copy of his three-volume "Complete Hebrew Dictionary."

On Sunday evening, Mr. Shazar received a recent immigrant couple from Kiev, Mr. and Mrs. Ya'acov Zevin, who were introduced by Mr. Zevin's brother, Rabbi S.Y. Zevin, editor of the Talmudic Encyclopedia.

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The outgoing Ambassador of Liberia and Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps, Mr. Ernest J. Yancy, yesterday called on Religious Affairs Minister Zerah Warhaftig and Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem. The Mayor presented Mr. Yancy with the silver Jerusalem Medal.

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The Jerusalem Journalists Association will meet at 9.30 this morning, at Beit Agron, to continue its general meeting, begun on Sunday. On the agenda: amendment of the organization's by-laws.

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Prof. Henry Linshitz, of Brandeis University, U.S.A., will lecture on "In Vitro Conversions of Phytochrome and Rhodopsin" today, at 3 p.m., in the Seminar Library of the Department of Physical Chemistry, Hebrew University, Givat Ram campus, Jerusalem.

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The Jerusalem Vocal Newspaper this Friday will have as its guests Mr. Avraham Schenker, who will discuss "The Democratization of the Zionist Movement;" Mr. Uzi Narkiss, who will speak on "How Immigrants Are Being Accepted into Israel Society;" and Mr. Yehiel Leket, who will talk on "The Attitudes of Young People — Jewish and non-Jewish — to Israel and Zionism." It starts at 8.30 p.m. at Beit Ha'am.

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War Minister goes to Tripoli

Cairo bid to end rift with Libya

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

The Egyptian Minister of War, General Mohammed Ahmed Sadek, was in Libya yesterday on "an urgent mission" amid reports of a widening rift between Cairo and Tripoli over a wide range of political issues.

Cairo's semi-official newspaper, "Al-Ahram," said yesterday that General Sadek, who was accompanied by the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Murad Ghaleb, was due to confer with the Libyan head of state, Mu'ammer al-Gaddafi, and his top aides.

The paper did not elaborate on the duration of Sadek's mission. Egypt and Libya are partners in the tripartite Federation with Syria and evidently disagree on a number of issues, among them Cairo's commitment to the Russians, and Libya's political activities, such as in the confrontation with Iran over the Gulf islands.

While seeking to justify its own policies, Egypt is eager to have a united Arab front in its confrontation with Israel.

Meanwhile Cairo news media emphasized yesterday that the Egyptian forces—naval, land and air—were standing ready "to prove the high combat efficiency they have attained." The Government-controlled press said that the Egyptian armed forces "have acquired the basic capacities needed to secure victory over the Israeli enemy and its imperialist supporters."

Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted the Kuwaiti Chief of Staff as saying that war between the Arabs and Israel was likely to "break out at any moment since there is no other way for the liberation of the occupied lands."

In contrast to the line adopted in most Arab capitals, Jordan continued yesterday to warn against the current sabre-rattling, and stress that the Arab countries still needed a good deal of preparedness before getting involved in a new round of fighting with Israel.

Jordanian news media warned that the war talk "which is being prompted for domestic consumption may be used as a pretext by the Israelis" for launching a pre-emtive strike against the Arabs.

Meanwhile King Feisal of Saudi Arabia appeared yesterday to have launched a new attempt to close the gap between Jordan and Egypt. Jordan's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Sheikh Mohammed Amin Shankiti, arrived in Amman yesterday for the second time in a week after a meeting with the Saudi King.

Shortly after Shankiti's arrival the Jordanian Cabinet was convened for a meeting under the chairmanship of King Hussein. The session was reported to have "reviewed the Arab and international situation."

French President Pompidou and U.S. President Nixon chat before starting their formal talks on the Portuguese island of Angra do Heroismo. (AP radiophoto)

'U.S. attitude based on Pakistani sovereignty'

WASHINGTON (AP). — Official U.S. attitudes toward the Indian-Pakistani war are not determined by any direct or vital interests, say Administration sources, but by a reluctantly arrived at policy that opposes the dismemberment of a sovereign nation.

U.S. officials say this is not a new position and they point to the American stand during the recent Nigerian civil war in which the U.S. government refused to support the breakaway move by the Biafran independence movement.

Some Administration sources say the State Department agonized over the Indian-Pakistani situation with some officials pushing hard on behalf of the principle of self-determination for ethnic nationalist groups.

In the current conflict, the Bengali majority in East Pakistan seeks independence from the Punjabi-dominated central Pakistani government to the west.

"It is against our policy to support the balkanization of the subcontinent or any other area," one U.S. official said, although acknowledging sympathy for the self-determination ideal that was anchored in American thinking in the 19th and first half of the 20th century.

Another policy reason and one that is pushed hardest by the White House is the expressed desire to show the world that the U.S. opposed the use of force to resolve disputes.

All of this has led the Administration into statements by U.N. Ambassador George Bush that India committed aggression against Pakistan and the suspension of more than $100m. in economic and military aid to the New Delhi government.

This, in turn, has brought allegations by India and some critical senators that President Nixon favours the military regime in Pakistan and condoned the repression of the independence movement when it broke out last March.

The White House and the State Department deny any anti-Indian bias and have tried hard in recent days to offset criticism by moving away from the aggression statements and pledging a deep and strong friendship for India.

Italy parliament deadlocked again

ROME (UPI). — Parliament failed for the seventh time in five days yesterday to elect a new parliament president, but the voting was overshadowed by behind-the-scenes bargaining to break an ideological deadlock between Roman Catholic and left-wing forces.

Deputy Premier Francesco de Martino, who is running with the support of the West's largest communist party, received 408 votes. This was 97 short of the required 505 votes.

The Christian Democrat party, the major force in Italian politics since the end of World War II, abstained and its candidate, four-time Premier Amintore Fanfani, received no votes.

Bulgarian F.M. dies in ski accident

BELGRAD (AP). — Ivan Bashev, the Bulgarian Foreign Minister, was killed on Sunday in a skiing accident on a mountain near Sofia, the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug reported yesterday.

The report said that Bashev was alone at the time of the accident, and his body was found only early yesterday.

STUDENTS OCCUPY CHAD EMBASSIES

PARIS (UPI). — Students from Chad yesterday occupied their country's embassies in Paris and Brussels to protest repression of student demonstrations in Fort Lamy last month, student spokesmen said.

The students issued statements demanding the resignation of the government of Chad President Francisco Tombalbaye.

Japan, U.S. move to ease trade barriers

HONOLULU (UPI). — Japan bowed to U.S. pressure on Sunday and agreed to reduce tariffs on 30 items by April 1972 and to eliminate the import quotas on four others.

The announcement followed a two-day, closed-door conference aimed at paving the way toward removal of trade barriers between the two countries.

2nd big group of Soviet Jews in two days

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LOD AIRPORT. — A planeload of Soviet Jews arrived here aboard an El Al flight from Vienna yesterday — the second large group in two days.

Among yesterday's arrivals was 65-year-old Ludmilla Epstein of Moscow, a niece of the widow of Ze'ev Jabotinsky, Zionist leader and founder of the Revisionist movement. She told reporters she had applied for emigration in October and was notified a few days ago that she was free to leave the country.

About a third of yesterday's group were from Georgia, and the rest from Riga, Moscow, Kovno, Odessa and Kishinev.

Meanwhile, two recent Soviet immigrant families yesterday returned to the terminal after deciding the flats offered them were unsatisfactory. The Berkowitz family refused to accept accommodation at Kiryat Motzkin, and the Band family objected to their flat in Migdal Ha'emek. The latter prefer an apartment "in the vicinity of Zahala."

Absorption Minister Natan Peled told a group of 1,000 immigrant students in Lydda yesterday that the country had to prepare to absorb 50,000 to 70,000 Jews from all over the world next year.

The students were in Lydda in the course of a Hanukka tour retracing the route of the Maccabees.

Vilna Jews want quicker visas

LONDON (INA). — Eighty-eight Vilna Jews have written to the Central Committee on the Communist party of the Lithuanian republic demanding that the harassment of applicants for exit visas to Israel be ended. The letter was handed in at the headquarters of the committee by a delegation of five Jews representing the group, it is learnt here.

The letter also demanded that the head of the organization department at the Central Committee receive a delegation of the petitioners and that the delays in granting visas can be shortened.

Grechko leaves for Baghdad

MOSCOW (AP). — Marshal Andrei Grechko, the Soviet Defence Minister, left yesterday for Baghdad, the first stop on official visits to Iraq, Syria and Somalia, the Soviet news agency Tass reported.

Kuwaiti says war could start any time

BEIRUT (UPI). — War between the Arabs and Israel could "break at any moment," Kuwaiti Army Chief of Staff Maj.-Gen. Mubarak Abdullah Jaber said.

In a speech to army cadets, reported by the Middle East News Agency, Jaber said war with Israel was the only way left to liberate occupied lands.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE reserves rose in November by $9.8m. to $567m., according to the monthly balance sheet of the Bank of Israel. The Government's debt to the central bank rose by IL20m.

'FRANK AND CORDIAL' MEETING

Nixon, Pompidou begin talks on world affairs

ANGRA DO HEROISMO, Azores (UPI). — U.S. President Nixon and French President Georges Pompidou opened a round of private summit talks on this mid-Atlantic island yesterday. A French spokesman said the 2½-hour meeting was devoted entirely to international affairs — such as the Indian-Pakistani war and a European security conference — and did not touch at all on monetary problems.

The spokesman described the meeting as "very frank and cordial."

At a side meeting, Secretary of the Treasury John Connally discussed the monetary issue with the French Finance Minister, Valerie Giscard d'Estaing.

The two presidents arrived at almost exactly 10 a.m. and began their talks seated in high-backed chairs in the salon of the Junta Geral, a building once used by Portuguese kings. The two presidents met and posed for photographers in a palm-lined court outside of the building.

Mr. Pompidou arrived at the Junta Geral about one minute ahead of the U.S. President. Mr. Nixon, standing up in his bubble-top limousine, waved at several thousand townspeople who lined his motorcade route through the twisting cobblestone streets. The onlookers waved U.S., French and Portuguese flags.

Mr. Pompidou, dressed in a black suit, and Mr. Nixon in his familiar slate grey, shook hands in the courtyard of the palace as photographers shouted in three languages.

"Congratulations on the Concorde," Mr. Nixon told Mr. Pompidou in reference to the British-French supersonic jetliner Mr. Pompidou used for his trip to this picturesque island in the Atlantic.

The Nixon-Pompidou summit is the first of a series of meetings Mr. Nixon has planned with European leaders designed to show solidarity before he visits Peking and Moscow early next year.

TO DISPEL CONCERN

The President, according to U.S. officials, is anxious to dispel growing concern among allies of the U.S. that on major decisions he is tending not to consult them as much as they would like to be consulted.

One case in point was Mr. Nixon's August save-the-dollar package. No allied leader was informed more than an hour or so beforehand of the decision to unlink the dollar from gold and to impose a 10 per cent surcharge on all imports into the U.S. This caused deep resentment and considerable concern.

Another instance was the announcement of the President's trip to Peking next February, also made without advance warning. *(UPI, Reuter)*

Murder of Ulster Senator marks new stage in fight

By ERIC SILVER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — The police yesterday recovered the body of the first victim of political murder in the current Irish terror campaign. Gunmen shot an Ulster Unionist Senator in the doorway of his farmhouse near the border with the Irish Republic. They then dragged his body inside, placed a bomb next to it, and blew up the house.

His wife saw the assassination but was ordered outside before the bomb exploded.

The victim was Senator John Barnhill, a man in his sixties who has not been very deeply implicated in the recent controversy. Political colleagues describe him as "a typical bluff Ulster countryman, a substantial farmer as well as businessman."

The Northern Irish police believe he was killed by a band operating from the village of Lifford, just across the border in the Irish Republic. The gang is alleged to have been involved in five recent killings.

A Northern Government spokesman said: "We believe that the authorities in the Republic know who these men are and have refused to do anything about it."

Sunday night's assassination adds an extra dimension to the Irish Republican Army's reign of terror. With Northern Protestant passions rising, no politician, either north or south of the border, can now feel safe.

A recent photograph of Ulster Senator John Barnhill. (AP radiophoto)

The British Foreign Secretary, Sir Alec Douglas-Home, said yesterday that Britain would renew urgently representations with the Irish Republic on cross-border incidents as a result of Barnhill's murder.

'What Sadat means by year of decision'

NEW YORK (Reuter). — President Sadat has promised to provide the Soviet Union with naval facilities, even after a possible settlement with Israel, according to an interview with the Egyptian leader in yesterday's "New York Times."

He also told correspondent C.L. Sulzberger that he wanted to retain Soviet advisers for his army because war was now a science. He added that there were no longer any Soviet troops in the Suez Canal zone, and that the surface-to-air missile sites were now manned entirely by Egyptians. Soviet troops were now at Sam sites in the Egyptian hinterland.

Other points made in the interview, which took place last Thursday in Sadat's private residence:

RELUCTANT RUSSIANS

The Russians did not wish to retain their troops in Egypt, and each time President Sadat wanted to prolong their stay he had to use all his efforts to convince Moscow.

President Sadat was convinced that a written alliance or secret agreement of some kind was concluded between Israel and the U.S. during the Johnson Administration, and that President Nixon had found he could not extricate himself from it.

President Sadat regretted the recent assassination in Egypt of Jordanian Premier Wasfi e-Tel, but he would have nothing to do with King Hussein until there was a settlement between the Jordanian monarch and the terrorists.

Sulzberger concluded that when Sadat repeatedly spoke of 1971 being a year of decision in his relations with Israel, he meant a decision on what course to follow rather than a commitment to make a dramatic move before next January 1.

China frees 2 Americans, reduces term of third

HONGKONG (Reuter). — China yesterday released two American prisoners — one a woman — and commuted the life sentence of another only a few months before President Nixon visits Peking.

But Peking also reported the suicide of a fourth American detained after allegedly sailing his yacht into Chinese waters in 1968.

Richard Fecteau, 43, walked to freedom across the Chinese border into Hongkong after 19 years in a Chinese jail. The American woman, Mrs. Mary Ann Harbert, detained three years ago, was with him.

The official New China News Agency said Mr. Fecteau and another American, John Downey, 41, were captured when their plane was shot down over north-east China in 1952 while trying to supply U.S. agents there. Both were alleged to be agents of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and were tried for espionage in 1954. Mr. Fecteau was sentenced to 20 years and Mr. Downey to life imprisonment.

Mr. Downey, whose mother visited him in prison recently, had his sentence reduced to five years, which start.

The agency said Miss Harbert illegally intruded into Chinese waters in Kwangtung Province on April 21, 1968, aboard a yacht owned by Gerald Ross McLaughlin. Miss Harbert admitted her mistakes, but Mr. McLaughlin "behaved badly, resisted investigation and, taking warders unawares, committed suicide" in 1969, the agency said.

A SAFE was stolen from the United Mizrachi Bank branch in the village of Shlomi some time between Friday afternoon and Sunday morning. The 300-kilo safe contained IL300 and documents.

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Man shot in Costa Rica hijack

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica. — Costa Rican National Guardsmen used teargas on Sunday to overcome three hijackers who had commandeered a Nicaraguan jetliner that stopped here for fuel. One of the hijackers was fatally shot, authorities said.

All 49 passengers had previously been let off the plane as it waited to leave for Cuba. One passenger —identified as Alfonso Lovo Blandon, the son of Nicaragua's Agriculture Minister — was taken to the hospital with a bullet wound. He was reported to be in a satisfactory condition.

The plane carried a total of 54 persons including crew when it took off from San Salvador, a stopping point on a scheduled flight from Miami to Managua, an airport spokesman said.

A passenger said the hijackers — three men armed with guns and knives — boarded the plane in San Salvador and demanded that it be flown to Havana.

After the passengers had been let off, Costa Rican President Jose Figueres made an unsuccessful plea from the airport control tower to the hijackers to give up. He promised that no reprisals would be taken against the hijackers if the crew members were released unharmed.

The co-pilot of the plane jumped out of a window of the jet shortly after it landed here. The other crew members escaped the same way after teargas had been fired.

The authorities said that one of the hijackers fired a gun as he left the plane and was fatally wounded by guardsmen returning fire. He was identified as Raul Arana, believed to be a Nicaraguan.

The two other men, also said to be Nicaraguans, were arrested.

36 airlines agree on reduced fares

GENEVA (Reuter). — Thirty-six airlines operating on the North Atlantic and related routes have unanimously agreed on a package of sharply reduced air fares, some by nearly 30 per cent.

A spokesman for the International Air Transport Association yesterday said the new fares would come into effect on April 1 next year and be in force until March 31, 1973.

The reduced fares are aimed at boosting the leisure air travel market and wooing passengers back from charter companies.

The agreement finally clears up six months of uncertainty over future fares as present agreements are due to expire. Two IATA conferences this year failed to produce a solution and threats of a price war next spring were looking more and more ominous.

An El Al spokesman said last night that the new agreement would affect about 18 types of North Atlantic flight tickets available from the airline. He said the final rate structure would probably be almost identical with the one announced last August. At that time the airline said a round-trip New York-Lod "young group" ticket would cost $350 off-season.

Feisal seeks end to Gulf dispute

BEIRUT (UPI). — King Feisal of Saudi Arabia is in contact with the Shah of Iran in an effort to find a solution to the Arab-Iranian conflict over Teheran's occupation of three Persian Gulf islands, the Cairo newspaper "Al Ahram" said yesterday.

The newspaper said that Feisal had already held several "direct contacts" with the Shah in an effort to "preserve the old-standing friendship between Iran and the Arab States."

The Iranian action led to Iraq's breaking diplomatic relations with London and Teheran and to the nationalization of British oil interests in Libya.

In deep sorrow we announce the death of
Stefa Ernestine Heilpern
widow of the late Dr. Ludwig Heilpern of Berlin. She requested her body to the advancement of science and left her estate to our organization.
Israel War of Independence and Zahal Disabled Veterans Organization

In deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved
Stefa Ernestine Heilpern
who bequeathed her body to the advancement of science
Henry Heilpern and family, Herzliya
John Heilpern and family, Canada

THE WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
deeply mourns the passing of
DAVID SARNOFF
first honorary fellow of the Weizmann Institute and holder of the Weizmann award in the Sciences and Humanities.

In deep sorrow we announce the death of our mother and grandmother
HANNA SAPIR PINKAS
The bereaved family
her son, Uri Sapir
her daughter-in-law, Aya
and children

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German Chancellor Willy Brandt, the Nobel Peace Prize winner, ...ls at pulpit in Stockholm's main church during speaking appear... on Sunday. The Hebrew word Jehovah is a prominent part of the decorations, at upper left. (AP radiophoto)

Big 3 to aid Brandt to get pacts ratified

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

...N. — The Big Three Western ... will help Chancellor Willy ...dt secure parliamentary ratifi... ...n of his non-aggression treaties ... Moscow and Poland now that ...an-level negotiations on a Ber... accord have been completed, ...rding to informed sources here. ...e allied move is necessary be... Russia insists it will not sign ...inal Four-Power Berlin agree... until its friendship pact with ... has passed the Bundestag (the ...r House of Parliament).

...turn, Bonn officials report that ...ut two of Nato's 15 foreign ...ters in Brussels last week ...d the Berlin settlement must ...ctually signed before the start ...ultilateral preparations for a ...pean security conference as ...d by the Soviets.

Detente delay

...s means delay in European de... until next spring, when the ...rn treaties could be ratified, ...t has bred suspicion of the ...lin's motives.

...h factors serve to strengthen ... and of the conservative oppo... in the Bundestag. The Chris... Democrats (CDU) claim the ...w treaty seals the division of ... any without giving anything in ...n.

...h defections of only a few ...isfied deputies from the Gov...nt's ranks, the CDU, led by ...cellor candidate Rainer Barzel, could override Socialist Brandt's slim six-vote majority in Parliament.

The Government's strategy centres on getting the Moscow pact through the Bundestag as quickly and with as big a majority as possible. Tacitly the Western Big Three are lending a hand.

German sources say the U.S., Britain and France will notify the Bonn Government of their approval of the inter-German wall-pass and transit accords for Berlin as soon as the accords have been formally signed by East and West German officials, in the next two weeks.

Mr. Brandt hopes to use the allied assurances to make it easier for the CDU to accept the Moscow treaty on grounds that the Kremlin has come halfway with concessions in the Berlin issue.

The allied declarations would also cement the Berlin agreement as it now stands, thus lessening the risk that Russia might back out before the accord is finally signed by the Big Four.

There is no doubt the allies will formally approve the East-West German phase of the Berlin talks. The U.S., French and British ambassadors in Bonn have already issued statements "welcoming" the results.

Mr. Brandt's Cabinet in the meantime is sending the eastern treaties to the Bundesrat (Upper House of Parliament) this week for the first step toward final legislative approval.

Tito appears losing ...ontrol in Yugoslavia

By LAJOS LEDERER

LONDON (Ofns). — ... Yugoslav Communist Party, ...reated by Marshal Tito more ... a quarter of a century ago ...drastically reformed by him in ... is disintegrating. Tito himself ...osing control of the country.

...s authority, which he used suc...ully last spring to prevent a split ...e party and to save the unity ...ugoslavia, is apparently on the ...

...e immediate origins of the ...gle were the protest strikes of ...ents in the principal universi... culminating in anti-Communist ...onstrations in the streets of Za... last month. This was the first ... that students had been allowed ...emonstrate in the streets without interference from the police and apparently with the approval of the local Communist Party leaders.

All this happened during Marshal Tito's absence abroad. When he returned he found that powerful elements in the Communist parties of the principal republics were ignoring the directions of the central presidium of the party.

These elements are led, according to Tito, by men who are not genuine Communists. In Croatia, where the movement is most powerful, the leading positions in the party have been taken by young people who, he says, have no connection with the workers' ideals or interests.

Tito has now called on the nation and the party to take immediate action to stem "the counter-revolutionary phenomenon."

London is changing as much as Belfast

Eric SILVER'S LONDON Letter

LONDON. — A FEW days ago Brian Faulkner, the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, came to Westminster to brief Conservative MPs on the situation in his unhappy province. He paraded the familiar Ulster Unionist case: Northern Ireland was as *much a part of the United Kingdom* as Lancashire. The Protestant majority was determined that it should stay so. The security problem must be solved first. Internment introduced under emergency regulations four months ago was slowly producing results.

Any other time in the 50 years since Ireland was divided, Faulkner's speech would have been received with sympathy, often with enthusiasm. The Ulster Unionists are the Northern Irish wing of the Conservative party and throughout this century the Tories have championed the Northern Protestants' right to freedom from the Catholic south. In return, the Ulster Unionists have till recently furnished the Conservatives with a dozen stolidly safe seats in the Westminster Parliament.

But London is changing as much as Belfast. Faulkner's briefing was coldly received by many of his parliamentary audience. Some of the questions were openly sceptical about the prospects for a military solution and the success of detention without trial. Although — as one Conservative MP put it to me afterwards — Faulkner was the first Ulster premier they had heard who sounded like an Irishman, he seemed like the Bourbons to have learned nothing and forgotten nothing.

Faulkner's visit coincided with another by his southern counterpart Jack Lynch, and tended to be overshadowed by it in the British press. Nonetheless it may signal a turning point in the sorry history of Anglo-Irish relations.

Some conservative MPs — still a minority — are beginning to worry that Ireland will cost their party the next general election. They are not prepared to sit back and watch that happen.

Their concern is not so much with the Irish vote on this side of the water, though at about a million it is far from insignificant. What disturbs these Conservatives is the drift into chaos, into a war for which most Englishmen have no stomach. Their anxiety is only increased by the conspicuous inaction of their own Home Secretary, Reginald Maudling, who is responsible for the province.

Turning point

Perhaps the real turning point came a couple of weeks before *Faulkner visited Westminster.* Harold Wilson, the former Prime Minister and now leader of the Labour opposition, spent a week touring Northern and Southern Ireland. He *came back evidently shocked* by what he had seen, but then produced his own plan for the future of the island. Although it was so carefully balanced that no one has been able to swallow it whole, it did envisage a united Ireland within 15 years (outside the United Kingdom but acknowledging the Queen as head of the Commonwealth).

One of the things Wilson's programme has achieved is to make contemplation of reunification respectable at Westminster. The forbidden topic is now on the agenda and the anxious Conservatives are beginning to feel free to discuss it as a possibility. There is nothing so substantial yet as a party revolt. Ministers hold fast to the traditional line. But the seed is planted.

The more obvious it becomes that security is an illusion and the old frameworks have failed, the more likely is the seed to sprout and bear fruit. The experience of the four months since internment was introduced offers shrivelling hope to those in any party still thinking in the old terms.

It is less than one year since I reported the death of the first British soldier in Northern Ireland. Since then the overall death toll for this year has risen to more than 160, more than 130 of them since August. The total includes some 60 members of the security forces.

In November alone seven soldiers, four policemen and 11 civilians were killed and 134 bombs exploded. The bombs are not plastic charges. They are boxes of gelignite that usually destroy whole buildings — factories, public houses, shops. More than 20 people have already died by violence this month, the Irish Republican terrorists have started "executing" members of the volunteer militia that helps with border patrols and millions of pounds worth of damage has been wrought with diminishing scruple for life and limb.

Seven thousand Catholic refugees — mainly women and children — have fled to the south. Another 22,000 working-class families are refusing to pay rent or rates to the municipalities. Catholic politicians are boycotting the provincial parliament and local councils.

The economic effects of all this are incalculable. Ulster has been trying for years to attract new industry to replace or augment the linen mills and shipyards. Yet unemployment remains astronomic by British standards. In the Catholic Bogside district of Londonderry, one-third of the labour force is out of work.

The difficulty of a military solution is quite simply that the diplomatic and political restraints make it impossible for a British government to act against ruthless terrorism and increasing technical sophistication, from an underground army that can call on the cooperation and shelter of a sizeable minority in the big cities and the border region.

Comparison with Israel's experience in curbing terrorism is illuminating. The army in Ulster cannot take exemplary action against the houses of those who hide terrorists because they are citizens of the United Kingdom with *full rights* and sympathetic MPs to fight for them. Court action usually fails for want of witnesses.

Again, the British cannot pursue gunmen *across the border. Ireland* is an important trading partner and a fellow candidate for imminent entry into the European Common Market.

*There can be no question of patrol*ling a strip inside the republic as Israel has done in the Lebanon. There can be no question of forcing the republic to accept responsibility for bands operating from its territory, as Israel did with Jordan.

As soon as British sappers have *withdrawn after digging up small bor*der roads the Irish cross from the south and mend them. High-ranking terrorists escape from Belfast prisons and turn up in no time giving press conferences in Dublin.

English journalists who have watched the situation deteriorate in Belfast report that the army is now admitting that a military solution alone will not eradicate violence but only contain it. The *Irish* question has always been a political question, a test for the politicians. It is so still.

'Lin executed after plot to kill Mao' —'Newsweek'

NEW YORK (Reuter). — "Newsweek" magazine claimed yesterday that virtually the entire Chinese military high command had probably been executed after a plot to assassinate Chairman Mao Tse-tung was foiled.

Those killed probably included Defence Minister Lin Piao, columnist Stewart Alsop said.

Mr. Alsop, writing from Washington, said that "by now, nobody in the intelligence business doubts" that China's military leadership was virtually wiped out between two Peking visits this year by U.S. presidential aide Henry Kissinger in July and October.

Alsop discounted reports that a group of senior military plotters and supporters of Lin Piao died in a plane crash while trying to flee to the Soviet Union.

The story, circulated to party officials in China, claimed that the plotters assigned an assassin to kill Chairman Mao, but the killer — faced with the Chairman himself — could not go through with it and confessed, disclosing the plot, according to Mr. Alsop.

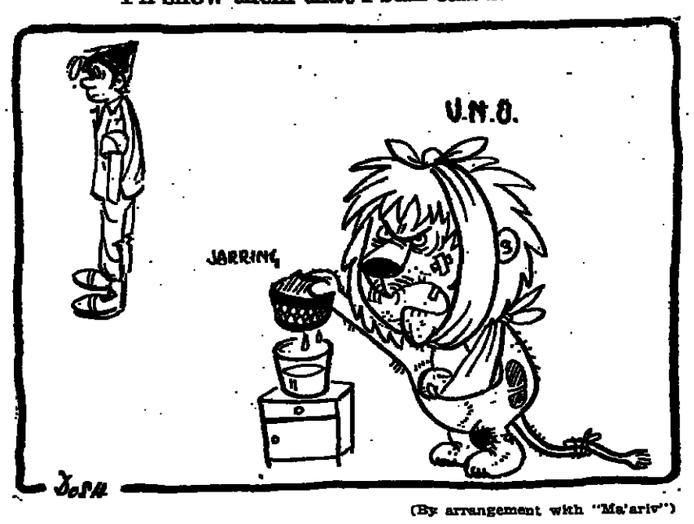
The version — the favourite of several circulating in China — attributed to Mao a seemingly divine knowledge that the plotters' plane would run out of fuel and crash in Mongolia, Alsop said.

"The plane story was almost certainly an exercise in 'disinformation' and the plotters were probably executed in the conventional way with a bullet in the cranium," Alsop wrote.

He said one or two of the victims of the purge may have escaped execution and be under house arrest.

"It is even possible that Lin Piao died a natural death and that the pro-Lin military then attempted a desperate coup, were caught and executed," Alsop added.

"T'll show them that I still can bite!..."



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Meir succeeds in U.S. mission of 're-establishing an alliance'

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. — Mrs. Golda Meir came to the U.S. to "re-establish an alliance" essential to Israel's security. And that is what she did.

The Israel Prime Minister knew before she arrived here that there *was no chance of President Nixon* relenting on the Phantoms as long as his State Department felt that there was a faint chance of resumption of negotiations with Egypt. But the strident public demands for the Phantoms and various pejorative stories about Secretary of State William Rogers' promises, off-the-cuff remarks and negative actions, had worsened the public image of American-Israel relations to the point where this image and its reflection in Egypt was of more immediate danger to Israel than a possible future shortage of Phantoms. So Mrs. Meir rushed here to re-establish the alliance both in fact and in the public eye, and that is what she has done.

Israel sources seem confident that Israel will get everything she needs from Washington, but when they do not say, and the Phantoms will *probably be last.*

The Prime Minister's farewell appearances for the UJA on Saturday night and Bonds on Sunday were enlivened by demonstrations of a few score leftist and Arab pro-Fatah youth on Saturday and a few thousand black-hatted zealots on Sunday demonstrating chiefly against the conscription of women. A few of the younger Hassidim tried to storm Mrs. Meir's car when she arrived at the Americana Hotel but were prevented by the police.

In her last public apperance here, Mrs. Meir was feted by the leaders of the business, civic, religious and communal life of New York and surrounding communities at a dinner under the auspices of the Israel Bond Organization.

Mrs. Meir said *Israel was willing* to sit down with its neighbours and arrange for a "secure" and "real" peace in the Middle East and not just sign "a piece of paper."

Israel was willing to reach an agreement on borders "safe for us" — any borders will be safe for the Arabs, for "we shall not attack them" — and "borders from which we can defend ourselves with as few casualties as possible if war breaks out again."

Mrs. Meir expressed amazement that after all these years "people do not understand us," and "expect us to do things we cannot do" — save the face of those who cannot face defeats they suffered in war.

In the past, she said, they told us Nasser was frustrated and therefore he could not make peace with Israel. He was not frustrated over his inability to improve the living conditions of the Egyptians. "He was frustrated that three times he tried to defeat Israel, and the intransigent, stubborn, uncooperative people of Israel would not cooperate."

Now there is a new man, she continued, and people have forgotten 1967. "Now we are asked to save his face, because he knows he can start a war, but cannot win it. Since he goes on making speeches about starting a war he knows he cannot win, we are expected to 'give in' before he begins the war."

Sometimes, Mrs. Meir said, "we worry our friends — let's not put it in the plural — one Government really. We ask them to sell us arms for defence. When they agree, we ask them to help us pay for them. Your Government has been very good."

Mr. Sam Rothberg, General Chairman of the Israel Bond Organization, who presided, observed that the steady rise in Bond receipts reflected "a determination on the part of the Jews of the U.S. to provide Israel with the economic strength to achieve a just peace, as well as to maintain adequate social, economic and educational services in a time of severe financial stress."

Council guarantees 'non-existent'—Eban

NEW YORK. — Foreign Minister Abba Eban said on Sunday that Israel should look to other countries for alliances rather than to the U.N. Security Council for guarantees against another outbreak of war in the Middle East.

"There is no such thing as a Security Council guarantee to prevent a war or to stop one once it breaks out," he told guests at the annual dinner of the Zionist Organization of America.

He described Israel's relations with the U.S. as "important," and said efforts to acquire U.S. Phantom jets were "the subject of Israel's obsession for physical security."

At the dinner, Abba Eban was presented with the Theodor Herzl award, the highest citation of the Z.O.A. Sen. Henry Jackson (Democrat, Washington), who was presented with the Louis D. Brandeis award, lauded Eban as a "voice of reason" and a "voice of common sense" at a time when sense is so needed.

"Not since Winston Churchill" has there been such an "eloquent voice" for those ideals considered important in the Western world, he said.

Jackson asserted that he himself was "not interested in votes but in human dignity" when he supports Israel.

He repeated his view that Israel's security is vital to American interests, and asserted that "there will be no war in the Middle East" if the U.S. makes clear that "we will not tolerate the destruction of the State of Israel."

At a news conference before the dinner, Jackson said he suspected the Nixon Administration "will reverse the State Department and in due time will make jets available" to Israel.

(AP, INA)

Rogers: U.N. 'ineffective' as peace-keeping body

ANGRA, Azores (Reuter). — U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers said Sunday night that United Nations' failure to halt the Indo-Pakistani war would suggest the organization was ineffective as a peace-keeping body.

"If the U.N. is to have an effective role in peace-keeping, this is a classic test," Mr. Rogers said of the conflict.

President Nixon and Mr. Rogers conferred on the war and the U.S. call for Security Council action as they flew here for meetings with *French President Georges Pompidou.*

The Secretary of State told reporters that Mr. Nixon felt the Security Council is the proper forum to press for action.

"If under *these circumstances* the U.N. does not take follow-up action, if the nations involved do not pay some attention, then I suggest that the U.N. is quite ineffective," he said.

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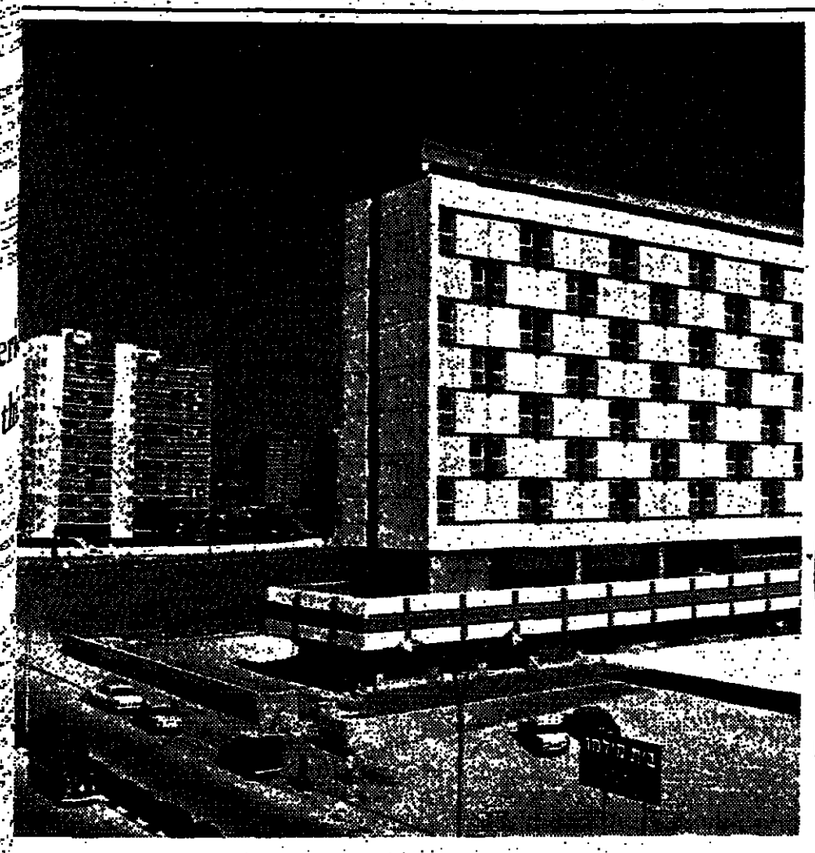

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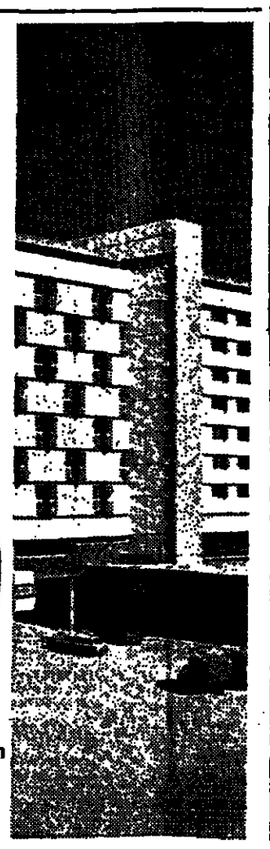

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More claims that data denied to Gov't Authority

Insists Dinstein dropped probe

By HIRSH GOODMAN and DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporters

"'I am very sorry, but I have already promised Friedman that the investigation will be postponed for six months, and I can't renege on my promise.'" This is what Deputy Finance Minister Zvi Dinstein told Mr. Ya'acov Salman, Director for the Government Corporations Authority, according to Mr. Menachem Arbel, one of Salman's deputies, who gave evidence before the Witkon Commission of Inquiry into the Netivei Neft affair yesterday.

Dr. Dinstein has denied that it was he who decided to call off an Authority investigation into the affairs of Netivei Neft and the company's general manager, Mr. Mordechai Friedman, scheduled to have taken place in March of this year. Mr. Salman claimed that the order to call off the investigation came from Dr. Dinstein, and Mr. Arbel was the only other person present at the time.

Mr. Arbel's version of what happened was similar to that told by Mr. Salman: Dr. Dinstein, he said, had told Mr. Salman to investigate the activities of Netivei Neft, but under no circumstances was Mr. Friedman to be told that the initiative for the investigation came from him.

Mr. Salman formed a team of three men under Mr. Arbel, and they planned to meet Mr. Friedman before going down to the Netivei Neft fields in Abu Rodeis. They met Mr. Friedman in Tel Aviv, and explained that they intended to conduct a "survey" of his firm. The term "survey," he said, was used because Mr. Salman had given explicit instructions that they were not to conduct a "police investigation" of Netivei Neft's affairs, but only to examine the company's stores and books.

Friedman was busy

"Friedman told us that at the time he was busy with the State Comptroller," Mr. Arbel said, and asked them that the survey be postponed for six months. Mr. Arbel told the Commission that Friedman had complained that "they have inundated me with investigations and I can't get any work done... I have no time for you and your surveys."

Mr. Arbel continued that he had told Mr. Friedman that it was impossible to cancel the investigation, since it had been ordered by Dr. Dinstein himself.

"Ah! excellent," replied Mr. Friedman, according to Mr. Arbel. "I am having lunch with Zvi this afternoon — I'll arrange things then."

Mr. Arbel claimed that later that afternoon, Mr. Friedman had phoned him and informed him that Dr. Dinstein had agreed to grant a postponement. This was later confirmed to both Salman and himself by the Deputy Minister, and when Salman complained that the investigation should be carried out anyway, Dr. Dinstein replied that he had already given his word to Friedman, and could not break his promise.

(When he gave evidence on the third day of the hearing, Dr. Dinstein hotly denied that he had told Salman to call off the investigation. He claimed that after Salman had told him that Friedman discovered that it was not a regular survey, but an investigation, Salman had recommended that it be called off "for two or three weeks" in order to allow things to "cool off.")

Economist Ya'acov Arbel, former deputy to the Director of the Government Corporations Authority and currently with the Jerusalem Economic Corp., who testified before the Witkon Committee yesterday.

Mr. Arbel told the Commission, on examination by State Attorney Gavriel Bach, that no mention of the word "cover" had been used, nor was this the excuse given for the postponement of the investigation by either Mr. Salman or Dr. Dinstein. He would also not agree with Mr. Friedman's attorney, Mr. Ya'acov Salomon, that Mr. Friedman had suggested a two-week postponement.

Dr. Dinstein's counsel, Mr. Ervin Shimron, did not contest Mr. Arbel's account of what happened and, in fact, did not refer to the investigation at all. Mr. Shimron concentrated instead on a report Mr. Arbel had prepared for the Corporations Authority in June, 1970, with regard to a decision by Naphta to invoke an option for 500 drilling days with Mr. Friedman's oil firm, Continental, in November, 1967. In his report, which Mr. Arbel claimed had been dismissed out of hand by Dr. Dinstein, he had criticized the decision to invoke the option, since at the time — 1967 — Lapidot, another Government company which was later to take over Naphta, was standing with idle drills and was desperately in need of work. Lapidot was also receiving State money (IL2,850 per rig per day) for idle machinery, and owed Naphta a large sum, which could only be paid back in drilling days. It was against the interest of the State, Mr. Arbel had said at the time, that Continental, a private company, was given preference over Lapidot, a Government firm.

Claims prejudice

In his report, Mr. Arbel had claimed that Mr. Friedman was granted the option because of "outside considerations," and had intimated that Mr. Yitzhak Sirkin, the Director of Naphta, had sabotaged the handing over of the option to Lapidot because he opposed the eventual merger of Naphta with Lapidot. Mr. Shimron claimed that Mr. Arbel's report was prejudiced in that it was based on one-sided information — he had never heard Continental's side of the story — and that Lapidot general manager Mordechai Chen had influenced his objectivity by "brain-washing" him.

Mr. Arbel, a young economist who since May, 1971, (when he left the Treasury) has been employed with the Jerusalem Economic Corporation, claimed that his report was based on factual evidence. He had reached these conclusions, he said, after spending "day and night for three months" studying the merger of Lapidot and Naphta. He said that he knew that the handing over of the option had been sanctioned by Dr. Dinstein, but would not commit himself to saying that Dr. Dinstein had ordered the deal, as claimed by Mr. Sirkin.

"Dr. Dinstein said that he had given no such order," he said, "while Mr. Sirkin claimed that he had only agreed to giving Continental the option after being told to do so by Dr. Dinstein. I couldn't say which one was lying so I decided to believe them both, and came to the conclusion that there had been a misunderstanding." Mr. Shimron said that Dinstein had only been approached by Naphta to provide money for the proposed drilling, but had never intervened on Continental's behalf. He also claimed that not only were Lapidot's prices 20 per cent higher than those offered by Continental, but also that Lapidot would not have been able to do the drilling at all, since as a result of the Sha'ari recommendations on oil prospecting, Lapidot was about to receive a prospecting budget which would have occupied all its rigs.

Mr. Arbel stood by his conclusions reached when he submitted his report — and a 50-minute attempt by Mr. Shimron failed to change his opinions. After reiterating, in detail, what he termed the report's weak points, Mr. Shimron turned to Mr. Arbel and asked: "Don't you think that it is just possible that Dr. Dinstein's opinion of your report was such that he felt it would have been superfluous to argue with you at all?"

Mr. Arbel replied that he could still not accept the fact that his conclusions had been dealt with in so cursory a manner. According to him, Dr. Dinstein had hardly even bothered to look at the document, before he handed it back to him and declined to deal with it.

Mr. Arbel also told the Commission how an attempt by him to receive Netivei Neft's balance sheet had been "foiled" by the Deputy Minister. He claimed that in December, 1969, Friedman had written to the Accountant-General and asked that he be granted permission to call an annual general meeting of the Netivei Neft Board. Mr. Arbel received the request, and said that he realized that this was a "golden opportunity" to force Mr. Friedman to submit his company's balance sheet — all requests for which had borne no fruit in the past. "We decided that we would only grant him the proxy if he presented the balance sheet," he said.

Making problems

Later, he claimed, he had received a call from "somebody" at Netivei Neft who wanted to know why he was "making problems," and later another call came from a certain Meir Chen who told him that he would appeal to Dr. Dinstein if the proxy was not forthcoming. "I was later informed by David Ben-Yehuda of the Accountant-General's department that the proxy had been granted on orders from Dr. Dinstein, despite the fact that the balance sheet had never been presented," he concluded.

Mr. Arbel was not questioned at length by Mr. Salomon, Mr. Friedman's lawyer. Two short questions and he was told he could step down. A look of mixed surprise and pleasure crept over Arbel's face: "I had prepared myself for at least three hours under you," he said with a smile as he gathered the numerous files he had brought with him and stepped down.

Next on the witness stand was Mr. Israel Kuslov, a member of the Netivei Neft board, who was questioned by Deputy State Attorney Michael Kirsh, appearing for the first time since the hearing started a month ago. Mr. Kirsh went through the protocols of past Netivei Neft directorate meetings with such detail that he was asked by Commission Chairman Justice Alfred Witkon if "this is all necessary."

Mr. Kirsh established that Mr. Friedman had never informed the board about a State Comptroller report on stock-taking shortcomings at Netivei Neft, despite a promise to the Comptroller that this would be done.

Mr. Kuslov, a huge red-haired man who has been involved with oil in Israel since 1949, and is currently head of a petrochemical firm, said that he felt there were no serious shortcomings at Netivei Neft, but there were certain aspects of running the fields which could be improved now that one had the benefit of hindsight. Most of his evidence, dealing specifically with the company's financial dealings, was given behind closed doors, but he appeared after the lunch break again.

He presented the Commission with Netivei Neft's balance sheets to be photostated and studied.

Mr. Kirsh then brought up several unrelated episodes in the affairs of Netivei Neft from all of which he sought to show that the firm had failed to consult the Government Corporations Authority adequately.

- Donations: the board meeting minutes make several references to special requests to Dr. Dinstein and the Government Corporations Authority, for permission to make small donations to worthy causes.

"Do you not agree," asked Mr. Kirsh, "that the Authority and not the Deputy Minister was the sole address for such requests?"

Mr. Kuslov agreed.

- Netivei Neft's employees' loan fund: this stood at IL200,000.

"Do you not agree," asked Mr. Kirsh, "that this fund ought to have had the Authority's consent?"

"That's a new one on me," Mr. Kuslov replied with candour.

- Netivei Neft's subsidiary companies: there were two of these, Mr. Kirsh said. Did their formation not require the Authority's approval?

Mr. Kuslov said he only knew of one subsidiary, and its formation had been approved by a senior Treasury official who was the expert in concealing the identity of Israel-owned oil companies (some foreign firms are embarrassed by openly dealing in Israeli oil).

- Netivei Neft's shipping operations. The firm put IL600,000 in tankers.

Should not this have had the Authority's approval first? Mr. Kuslov explained that Netivei Neft had been active in shipping only in conjunction with several other Israeli companies, among them Paz, and that the venture had the approval of the Deputy Finance Minister. He thought Dr. Dinstein's approval was sufficient.

Israel Kuzlov, a member of the Netivei Neft board, gave much of his testimony about the oil firm's financial dealings behind closed doors yesterday.

At this point, now seeing what Mr. Kirsh was aiming at, Mr. Kuslov halted the questioner and told him: "I never knew Salman (the Head of the Authority) was dissatisfied with Netivei Neft until I read his evidence to the Commission. If the Authority felt they were not receiving enough information from the firm, why didn't Salman and Arbel complain to me?"

Next, Mr. Kirsh turned to the Kimche episode. (Daniel Kimche, a senior Netivei Neft employee, left the firm in early 1969, following allegations within the firm that he had spirited some of its equipment to the north. He was recently charged with theft and is out on bail.) The chairman of the board, Mr. Dickenstein, had consulted with Mr. Salman and Dr. Dinstein and decided together with them not to call in the police. Why had Mr. Kuslov accepted this decision?

Mr. Kuslov replied that his reasons were threefold: he relied on Dinstein and Salman; Dickenstein had told the board that the machines had been found and would be returned; and he did not want "the strained relations between Kimche and Motty Friedman to be seen as the reason behind the allegations — if these were proved unfounded." Mr. Kuslov conceded that he would have decided differently today.

Mr. Kirsh noted that not a word of the suspicions against Kimche appeared in the minutes of the board meetings although the subject was discussed at length there.

Mr. Kirsh then turned to the claims that Netivei Neft deliberately kept its Abu Rodeis activities under wraps, and therefore insisted that any Lapidot men it took on must become employees of Netivei Neft — and leave Lapidot. Mr. Kuslov defended the company's policy on this. Bringing groups of Lapidot men down to Abu Rodeis would only have made Netivei Neft's workers jealous since the Lapidot employees were paid better and had other advantages.

Kirsh: "What you wanted to do was to cream off Lapidot's best men and take them into Netivei Neft's employ."

Kuslov: "No one was twisting Lapidot's arm. We simply told them that if they had any spare men we would take them on — on an individual basis — for a period as our employees."

Another question — inevitably — concerned the value of the rig which Continental sold to Midbar. When Mr. Friedman reported to the Netivei Neft board on the deal, had no one sought to check the price of the rig?

Kuslov: "I had been telling Motty for a long time that he must sell his own company if he was to remain manager of Netivei Neft. When he sold, my first reaction was perhaps he had sold too cheaply, ready to satisfy the demands that he sell, and that we would now be indebted to him for ever after. I asked him: did he get a fair price, and he said he did. Mr. Dickenstein said he thought he could have got more.

"The value of an oil rig is a far more complex matter than perhaps you imagine. It would have taken me weeks of study to determine its real value. King Resources (the owners of Midbar) were prospecting for oil all over the world: I was sure they would not err."

Mr. Kuslov had something to say about the reported thefts of equipment from Abu Rodeis in the early months after the war. It was not only company employees who had stolen — though he had to admit, sadly, that they had. It was the Beduin, and even one Egyptian who stayed on for months after the Israeli occupation until one night he made off in the firm's best boat. He recalled scenes of plundering by Israelis which he had seen in the Golan Heights immediately after the war.

Kirsh: "But this wasn't days or even weeks after the war. This was well after the firm was set up and functioning — witness the minutes of the board meeting."

Kuslov: "Well, the board succeeded in stopping it."

Mr. Kuslov will resume his evidence when the Commission sits again tomorrow morning.

Special buses go into service in six months

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Four "autobuses of the future" will be plying the roads in Israel within six months, Egged announced on Sunday.

The bus, a 275-horsepower rear-engine Scania Vabis, built in Sweden, will have a number of built-in safety devices. For example, the driver will no longer be able to close the rear door on a passenger — this door will be operated by an electronic eye; the driver will be equipped with a loudspeaker thus allowing him to call out stations — or to tell passengers to stop smoking; there will be a light which flashes on when the bus violates the speed limit; and a third set of brakes should the first two sets fail. (The first set, the emergency, is the mechanical hand brakes. The second set is the air-brakes. If they should lose pressure, the bus will automatically grind to a halt, since a loss of pressure — like pressure itself — will make the brakes function.)

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The study showed that a wide difference exists in the incomes of veteran lawyers and newcomers to the profession. For example, a lawyer under 30 earns an average of IL10,215 annually; one aged 30 to 39, an average of IL18,017; and an average of IL23,717 was reported for those between 40 and 49.

The poll found that a lawyer's income was not directly proportional to the effort he puts into his work. (Itim)

Arab social worker for Jewish children

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NAHARIYA. — The joint Jewish-Arab local council of Ma'alot Tarshicha in the Western Galilee has appointed a young Arab Hebrew University graduate, Nihal Bishara, as social worker among the Jewish children of Ma'alot. Miss Bishara, who is in her twenties, is a native of Tarshicha and studied social work. She is the first Arab social worker to work with Jewish children.

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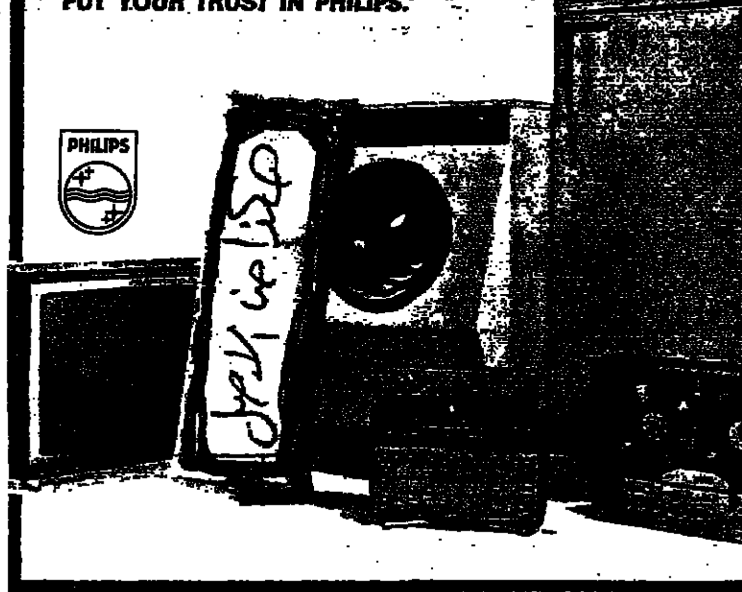

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Unitas leads Colts past Miami, back into first

JOHNNY Unitas, Baltimore's 38-year-old quarterback veteran, proved his mastery of picking defensive weaknesses on Saturday, as he guided the Colts into first place in the East Division of the American Football Conference with a 14-3 win over Miami. Unitas conducted two time-consuming touchdown drives in the first half, and the Colts' defence did the rest, holding Miami to a single field goal in the second half.

Miami, which has now lost two in a row to fall from first spot in the AFC East, still seems assured of a playoff berth. With one game left on the schedule, the Dolphins have a 9-3-1 record, far the best of any second-place team.

In the AFC West, Kansas City clinched first place with a 16-14 victory over their nearest rivals, the Oakland Raiders. Jan Stenerud's field goal with 1:34 remaining provided the winning points for the Chiefs. The Cleveland Browns, winners of the Central Division, beat the New Orleans Saints 21-17.

Two races are still "live" in the National Conference, with only Minnesota, in the Central Division, guaranteed a playoff berth. In the West, John Brodie led the San Francisco 49ers to a 24-3 triumph over the Atlanta Falcons, eliminating the Falcons from the three way battle for the title. The 49ers trail the Los Angeles Rams by half a game. In the East, the Dallas cowboys (10-3-0) hold a 1 1-2-game margin over the Washington Redskins. The 'Skins could draw to within half a game of the leaders by winning their game last night.

In other National Football League action, the New York Jets topped the New England Patriots, the Pittsburgh Steelers defeated the Cincinnati Bengals 21-13, the Houston Oilers whipped the Buffalo Bills 20-14, the Green Bay Packers trounced the Chicago Bears 31-10, and the San Diego Chargers routed the Denver Broncos 45-17.

STANDINGS
AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	PCT.
Eastern Division				
Baltimore	10	3	0	.769
Miami	9	3	1	.750
N.Y. Jets	5	8	0	.385
New England	5	8	0	.385
Buffalo	1	12	0	.077
Central Division				
X-Cleveland	8	5	0	.615
Pittsburgh	6	7	0	.462
Cincinnati	4	9	0	.308
Houston	3	9	1	.250
Western Division				
X-Kansas City	9	3	1	.750
Oakland	7	4	2	.636
San Diego	6	7	0	.462
Denver	4	8	1	.333

X-clinched division title

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	PCT.
Eastern Division				
Dallas	10	3	0	.769
Washington	8	3	1	.727
Philadelphia	5	7	1	.416
St. Louis	4	8	1	.333
N.Y. Giants	4	9	0	.308
Central Division				
X-Minnesota	10	3	0	.769
Detroit	7	6	1	.538
Chicago	6	7	0	.462
Green Bay	4	7	2	.364
Western Division				
Los Angeles	7	4	1	.636
San Francisco	8	5	0	.615
Atlanta	6	6	1	.500
New Orleans	4	7	2	.364

X-clinched division title

BASKETBALL

WILT Chamberlain's dunk shot with 39 seconds to play Sunday night propelled Los Angeles to a shaky 104-96 victory over the Atlanta Hawks as the Lakers won their 21st straight game, setting a National Basketball Association record for consecutive victories.

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SWIMMING

SHANE Gould, the brilliant 15-year-old Australian swimmer, carved 18.6 seconds off the women's 1,500m. record when she covered the distance in 17 minutes 0.6 seconds in Sydney on Sunday. She now holds world records for the 100, 200, 400, 800 and 1,500 metres freestyle.

She swam under 70 seconds for each lap and covered the last lap of the suburban Birrong Pool in an astonishing 65.5 seconds to finish 75 metres ahead of her nearest rival.

CRICKET

AUSTRALIA won the second unofficial test cricket match against the Rest-of-the-World Sunday by an innings and 11 runs with two and a half days to spare.

Dennis Lillee, the new Australian fast bowling sensation, virtually defeated the "Rest" single-handed. After taking 8 wickets for 29 runs in 7.1 overs in their first innings he then took four for 63 in the second to give him a match analysis of 12 for 92.

Only four batsmen reached double figures and four players failed to score, including the great Gary Sobers. He survived only one ball. Lillee had an incredible sixth over, dismissing Tony Greg with his third delivery, Sobers with the fifth and Richard Hutton with the seventh.

After Australia had scored 349 in their first innings they dismissed the Rest for 59 and forced them to follow-on.

The Rest put up a far better show in their second innings with Kanhai scoring a fine 118 but it was to no avail and they were eventually all out for 279, 11 short of Australia's total.

SOCCER

MANCHESTER United faltered in their march towards the English First Division championship when they were held to a 1-1 draw by Stoke City on Saturday.

Stoke went ahead after 26 minutes when John Mahoney headed in a centre from John Ritchie. But the league leaders were back on level terms two minutes later, with Scottish International Denis Law heading in his sixth goal in four games.

A hat-trick by Jack Whitham earned Liverpool a 3-2 victory over second-placed Derby County, who twice equalized through Scottish striker John O'Hare. It was only Whitham's fourth first team match for the home side.

Manchester City moved into the No.2 spot, four points behind United with a convincing 4-0 victory over mid-table Ipswich.

Leeds United, runners-up for the past two seasons, moved into third place, a point behind City, following a goal-less draw against Chelsea.

Tottenham Hotspur moved up the table with their first away win of the season. A goal by Martin Peters earned them a 1-0 victory at Leicester City.

Wolverhampton Wanderers wasted a two-goal half-time lead against Sheffield United, who came back in the second half to earn a draw.

Double champions Arsenal maintained their improved form, England striker John Radford scoring both goals in their 2-0 win over Coventry.

Newcastle's move in borrowing Bev Busby from second division Luton Town to link up with his former team-mate Malcolm MacDonald paid off in their bottom-of-the-table clash against West Bromwich Albion. Newcastle won 3-0 with MacDonald (2) and Busby scoring the goals.

Nottingham Forest's Tommy Jackson netted against his old club Everton to earn his side a 1-0 victory. Billy Bonds, Clyde Best and Trevor Brooking gave West Ham a three-goal lead after 26 minutes against struggling Southampton. But the Saints fought to a 3-3 draw.

The painting above is by the winner of the children's painting contest organized by the Israel National Committee of UNICEF, 11-year-old Nawal of Chaola Bint El Azuar School in Jerusalem. It is being exhibited, with other finalists' paintings, in the children's wing of the Israel Museum from tomorrow, United Nations Children's Day, throughout Hanukka, and will then go to the New York headquarters of UNICEF for exhibition there. The winning painting has been reproduced as a poster in full colour, and is available at IL3 from the Museum and the Israel Committee for UNICEF, P.O.B. 7655, Jerusalem.

Highlights of Mozart's life presented with understanding

Mozart in Music and Letters, presented by the Israel Broadcasting Authority in cooperation with the Israel Museum: Zila Grossmeier, soprano; Uri Shoham, flute; Menahem Breuer, violin; Seev Steinberg, viola; Zvi Harel, cello; Eldad Neumark, piano. Readings: Zalman Levinsh, Michael Warshaviak, Hanoch Rosen; Galia Nativ, Galila Oren (Israel Museum Auditorium, Jerusalem—December 11). Early Pieces for Piano, Flute Sonata, K.13; Flute Quartet, K.285; Andante from Violin Sonata, K.526; From String Divertimento, K.563; Aria from "Il Re Pastore"; Songs (Louise-An Chloe-Das Veilchen); Piano Quartet in g, K.478.

THE difficult task of presenting the "highlights" of Mozart's life and character, complete with background of the period, was splendidly solved by the programme's two producers — Ada Brodsky and Avi Hanani. In an illuminating selection of letters, the characters, historical events, hopeful dreams, joyful success and disillusionment, were re-created on the stage. The various readers fulfilled their task with love, charm and understanding of the different characters and personalities of the drama. Especially likeable were Hanoch Rosen (reading a letter of young Mozart's) and Galila Oren (quoting Nannerl). The music chosen to link and bridge time and space ran from the naive to the exuberant to the mature and tragic. Without exaggeration, the story was told and played in straightforward presentation, and the overcrowded stage miraculously provided room for a lot of change and movement, the little projector adding some bizarre shadow-playing.

Zila Grossmeier sang with clear, unwavering voice and pleasant delivery, showing pleasing development of her musical capability. Uri Shoham played with customary reliability and elegance, fine tone and easily flowing technique. The three string-players added their musicianship and dedication, but the main credit goes to Eldad Neumark, who contributed much to the impact of the programme, as soloist, accompanist and the pianist in the ensembles. His pianistics showed a remarkable range of colours and dynamics, his interpretations maintained mood and atmosphere.

The availability of instrumentalists and the necessary economy in the number of artists participating obviously affected the choice of the music included — the flute received undue emphasis while another string player and a clarinet would have made an important contribution to the works selected.

The piped music at the beginning and in the interval was to me an unfortunate idea, as it seemed to change the auditorium into a bus-station or a supermarket instead of creating an appropriate "atmospheric" background.

The programme will be broadcast shortly (see next week's "Radio for Music Lovers").

YOHANAN BOEHM

Music Reviews

Trio's new assurance

The Yuval Piano Trio (Yonathan Zak, piano; Uri Pianka, violin; Simha Heled, cello), with Wolfgang Levy, horn (Wise Auditorium, Hebrew University Campus, Jerusalem—December 12). Sergiu Natra: Trio (1971); Brahms: Horn Trio, opus 40; Beethoven: Trio, opus 1, No. 2.

THE Yuval Trio, recently returned from a successful concert tour of Europe and the U.S., appeared with a new assurance which only experience and acclaim can provide. Yonathan Zak leads the ensemble without throwing his weight about; his impeccable technique and unerring musicianship are a great asset to the trio, combining happily with the talent of Uri Pianka, whose playing has been enriched by more elasticity and fluency, and Simha Heled's cello, which has become more prominent and articulate. Sergiu Natra's Trio, specially written for the Trio's American tour, is a fine vehicle for the ensemble's talents. Providing opportunities for musical phrasing and technical application, the one movement contains enough contrasts and changing moods to keep interest alive. After having paid lip-service to contemporary language with some tone-clusters, Natra proceeds to write a good piece of music, which received appreciative acclaim from the quite conservative audience.

The horn trio by Brahms—unique in its combination of instruments in the whole chamber music repertoire — is always a precarious undertaking. The three different instruments do not mix in sonorities or dynamics, the horn has to hold back in order not to obtrude, which adds to the hazards of intonation and reliability. The wind-player, very rarely given the opportunity to play chamber music, is at a decided disadvantage. Playing only orchestral parts (and being very active in running the I.P.O.'s affairs as in Mr. Levy's case) make the demands of participation in a very transparent chamber music combination most difficult to answer. One should therefore be lenient with shortcomings of this performance, which did not mar seriously the enjoyment of this melodious and attractive work.

A beautifully worked-out performance of Beethoven's second trio — unjustifiedly more rarely played than its companion trios — provided a harmonious and fully satisfying ending of this evening. The many surprises and delicate turns were lovingly interpreted by the members of the trio.

Y.B.

London demonstration on Syrian Jewry

LONDON (AP). — More than 300 British Jews demonstrated in London on Sunday night against the ill treatment of Jews in Syria.

Led by three Members of Parliament and an official of the World Jewish Congress, the demonstrators marched by torchlight from Hyde Park Speakers' Corner to No. 10 Downing Street, home of Prime Minister Edward Heath, where they handed in a protest letter.

Agriculture study published in N.Y.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE results of a five years study of agricultural development by Dr. Raanan Weitz, head of the Jewish Agency's Settlement Department, has been published by Columbia University Press in New York.

Based in part on field work carried out by Dr. Weitz and a team of specialists in Ceylon, Greece, Spain, Turkey, Mexico and Israel, the study is entitled "From Peasant to Farmer: A Revolutionary Strategy for Development." It suggests a blueprint for a rapid increase in against the Phoenix Suns.

in developing countries through biological and technological innovation, redesigning of farms and development of support systems — schools, health centres, roads, cooperatives, and cultural and social centres.

His study was supported by the Twentieth Century Fund in New York. Dr. Weitz was assisted by Mrs. Levia Applebaum of the Settlement Study Centre at Rehovot.

Readers' letters

Fire brigade and the rain

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We are new immigrants and moved last month to Bat Yam, Rehov Hashikma 19. This morning, when the heavy rains fell, the shelter filled with water, and water and sand covered all the main entrances of the building to a height of about 20 cm. The wall of another building fell down and left the water free to flow like a river.

We were really afraid and phoned immediately the fire brigade asking them to come and help. We got the following reply: "Our service will cost you IL50 per hour. Ask the other families living in the building if they are ready to pay for this service and phone again."

Where we come from, the fire brigade is a public service which comes immediately when asked and we would like to know if it is the same in Israel, since their reply gave us to understand that they were a private service acting only when paid first and not when public lives are in danger.

B. PRAGER
R. NEWMAN
G. FELBERG
J. EHRENFELD
And other neighbours

Bat Yam, October 25.

The Bat Yam Municipality replies:

The fire brigade is a public service which functions in a legal framework. In accordance with the law covering fire department services and the corresponding amendment on payment for services rendered, the fire brigade is entitled to payment for specific services (other than putting out fires, for which no payment is asked — *Ed., J.P.*) in this case, pumping water from a shelter which is considered damage to the tenants' property.

If the tenants had appealed directly to the Municipality, we would have called in the fire brigade to pump out the water and subsequently billed the tenants. Incidentally, many cooperative buildings in Bat Yam have installed water pumps in anticipation of such occurrences and these were of course purchased and installed at the expense of the tenants.

S. MORETZKY, Spokesman

Bat Yam, November 21.

Parking discs

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was surprised to read in your paper of December 5 that the "Tel Aviv parking disc trial" is said to be "extremely positive" according to a report by the Municipality.

I could not buy these discs in four banks, amongst them two branches of Bank Leumi. No wonder that I received two traffic tickets for IL20 each. The fact that the discs are not available in the banks and at the petrol stations and that tickets are given on every occasion, can be called "extremely positive" only by smug bureaucrats.

S. EREL

Givatayim, December 6.

The power of diplomacy

PRAGUE (AP). — Prague diplomats chuckled Monday over the breaking of the unbreakable. The diplomatic corps were guests at a Soviet science and technology exhibit in Prague, where officials invited them to test a new unbreakable glass with a hammer. One after another, envoys from a dozen countries banged a sheet of the seemingly indestructible glass.

The demonstration ended abruptly, eyewitnesses said, when Turkish Ambassador Haluk Kura gave a light tap and the glass splintered into pieces.

Installation of street lights starts

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Public Works Department here has started installing street lights along the seven-km.-long stretch of the Haifa-Acre highway, from the Afek junction to Acre, which is the only section of the highway still without lighting. The director of the Haifa district office of the P.W.D., Mr. Uri Zeitlin, told *The Post* that 210 lamp posts will be put up at a cost of IL1.1m. The poles are of light metal which will not cause serious damage if they collapse on any vehicles that collide with them.

The job will take three months and it is expected that the lighting will reduce the number of accidents on the highway, which runs through built-up and industrial districts and is frequently crossed by pedestrians. A narrow traffic island on which the poles will be erected has already been completed.

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KENDALL IS MORE THAN ONE STEP AHEAD

Electra issue could signal start of new capital trend

BUSINESS COMMENT
by Dr. Moshe Ater
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

THE Electra issue last week of shares and convertible debentures was the first in a long time to add a new name to the shrinking list of industrial securities quoted on the Tel Aviv stock exchange. The issue — amounting to IL4.5m. in money terms — was heavily over-subscribed, and is hopefully expected to prove a trail-blazer, as Israel's companies will be forced to turn more to the capital market to raise the means required for expanding activities. Time will show whether other concerns will indeed be ready and able to offer to the public securities at terms comparable to those of Electra, which provides an excellent example of a company in the process of sound expansion and in need of more capital to finance it.

Between 1967-68 and 1970-71 the company's turnover (consolidated) soared two and half times (to IL44m.), while its share capital and reserves increased 70 per cent (to IL4.9m.). Its fixed assets plus investments (in subsidiaries) more than doubled, and its current liabilities increased more than four times. Since it has embarked upon another major expansion, strengthening of its capital structure was clearly advisable. The proceeds raised by the issue will be used partly to finance Electra's new plant in Rishon Lezion (expected to cost aggregate IL5m.), and partly to increase its liquidity which markedly worsened last year.

It goes without saying that Clal — Electra's parent company — could have provided the additional funds without making a public issue. However, it must have had reasons to share the financial strain involved, while retaining the effective control of its subsidiary. The reasons can hardly have been inadequate profitability, for the prospectus shows how Electra's earning power has increased in line with its expanding business volume.

In the past four years the company's gross profit margin widened from 16 per cent of sales proceeds to 22, and its net (after tax) profit from 3 to 5 per cent. When related to the shareholders' equity the rise was, of course, even more spectacular — from 8 per cent to 23. Moreover, these results were achieved in spite of the increased share of exports in the sales total (from 3 per cent in 1967-68 to 8 per cent in 1970-71) and the heavy financing cost (which doubled as a ratio of the turnover, and steadily absorbs one fifth of the gross profit). Incidentally, the economics of scale make themselves felt in the declining share of labour cost (from 21.5 per cent of cost total in 1967-68 to 15 last year) which is particularly important as the company intends to expand its export activity.

Mart agrees to start U.S. talks soon

BRUSSELS (AP). — The European Economic Community Council of Ministers agreed on Sunday to open trade negotiations with the U.S. as soon as possible.

Despite initial resistance, France finally allowed the six ministers' deputies to prepare a mandate to negotiate for the Common Market Commission.

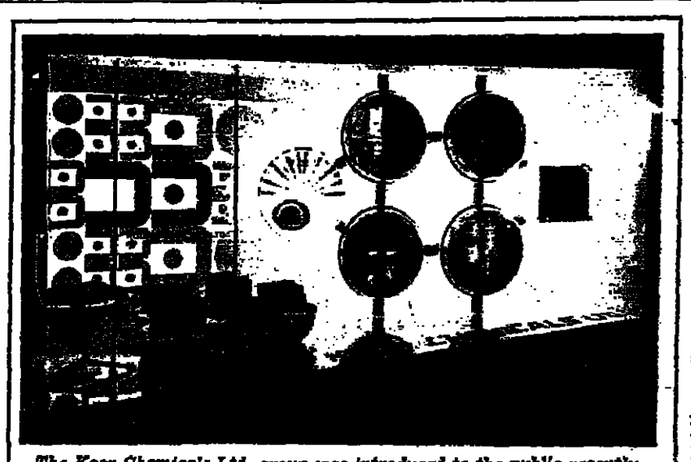
The deputies will start work tomorrow, but few European diplomats believe negotiations can start before the Group of Ten meeting on Friday and Saturday in Washington.

The U.S. is seeking trade advantages as part of the provisional over-all economic and monetary settlement it hopes to arrange at the Group of Ten meeting.

It took the six Common Market ministers eight hours of discussions on Saturday to agree on the drafting of a mandate for negotiations. The results of the negotiations will go into force only when all the states have ratified their currency realignments.

President Nixon's chief trade representative, William D. Eberle, has asked for:

- Freezing EEC farm prices at the world market level.
- An agreement on stockpiling of wheat and reducing acreage of feed grains.
- A delay of two to three years in signing free trade accords in industrial goods with the European noncandidates.
- The same treatment for U.S. exports of citrus fruits as for those from Mediterranean nations that benefit from low EEC tariffs.
- An end to EEC practices that favour domestic European tobacco production.



The Koor Chemicals Ltd. group was introduced to the public recently, at this exhibit at the Israel Chemicals week in Tel Aviv.

Dutch agree to war victims' compensation

Special To The Jerusalem Post

AFTER twice refusing this year to execute a parliamentary proposal to grant pensions to all surviving victims of Nazi Persecution, the Dutch Government has now announced it will draft a special law for providing financial assistance to war victims.

On Nov. 18, Dr. J.Z. Baruch, recently elected member of the "Democratic Socialists 1970," a new party which did well in this year's elections, introduced a parliamentary proposal requesting the Dutch Government to draft a special law giving financial aid to persons persecuted by the Nazis and — in former Dutch Indonesia — the Japanese. War victims are presently assisted under special provisions of the Dutch Social Aid Laws. Nearly 8,000 cases are being dealt with, of which over 550 are Dutchmen residing in Israel.

It is, however, felt that the machinery of the Dutch Social Aid Offices cannot cope with the many applications in an efficient and humane manner. The setting up of special rules and a centralized office was therefore requested.

New Bank Leumi issue is smaller than it looks

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

THE forthcoming issue of IL25m. capital notes by the Bank Leumi is the biggest ever increase of the bank's capital. However, its addition to the bank's resources will be smaller than it looks, because almost half of the amount (IL10.5m.) will be offset by the repayment of the balance of old capital notes due in January. Though it will bring the bank's aggregate own means (disclosed) to IL132.5m., almost 10 per cent more than at the end of 1970, this will probably lag behind the growth in the bank's balance sheet.

A comparison of the new with the previous capital notes is instructive in respect to the change which has taken place in the terms offered to investors. In 1967 the notes carried interest at 6.5 per cent, in 1968 at 8 per cent, and now at 10. On the other hand, the redemption period has lengthened. And the rate of conversion into shares is now put at 250 per cent, as compared with 182 two years ago, while the first capital notes were not convertible. Incidentally, the conversion rate offered is substantially above the current quotation of Bank Leumi shares, but is presumed to become attractive in course of time. Since the last dividend rate of 15 per cent — which the prospectus states is intended to be maintained also for 1971 — would provide a cash yield of only 6 per cent (gross) for the eventual shareholder, the offer obviously envisages substantial rise of the yield, probably by way of more allocations of bonus shares. It goes without saying that it is the conversion offer which makes this issue attractive for local investors. As a matter of fact, IL8m. of the amount offered has already been subscribed by institutional investors, mostly pension funds. The entire offer is expected to be taken up easily.

The prospectus discloses that Bank Leumi's net operational profit (not audited) in the first half of 1971 was 6.6 per cent bigger than in the comparable period last year. However, the increase in the consolidated profit was 34 per cent, apparently due to soaring profits of its subsidiaries. It also shows that more than half of the bank's income from securities comes from its own subsidiaries.

Figures confirm European slump

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

REPORTS from Europe no longer leave any doubt about the economic slowdown taking place there. Though France is still doing quite well, and Britain is bracing itself for a modest revival, the overall growth in 1972 is expected to be substantially less than this year, perhaps about three per cent, i.e. only half as much as in 1970. Moreover, the forthcoming recession exhibits some novel features which prevent its being treated by conventional anti-cyclic policies.

Unemployment already ranges between 0.8 per cent of the total labour force in Germany to over four per cent in Britain and Italy. (In the U.S. and Canada the rate is higher still). Nevertheless the governments concerned are wary about applying reflationary measures, lest they bring in their wake increased inflationary pressure. Over the past three years, prices in most European countries have been rising at an annual rate of four to five per cent with wages advancing at almost double the rate. As a result, most countries have generated abundant purchasing power, and industries catering for the consumer are more or less booming. This boom, however, has failed to bring about any solid expansion of economic activity. Rather, it has given rise to a twin problem.

On the one hand, industrial profitability seems to have declined, and is expected to be further reduced as the wage boost continues. On the other hand, export industries are facing increasing difficulties partly owing to rising production costs, partly owing to the spate of protectionist policies initiated by President Nixon's import surcharge. The effective up-valuation of European currencies in relation to the dollar which has taken place since the introduction of floating exchange rates is also making European products more costly in the American market. The recession in Germany is obviously linked with the fact that the German wage level has advanced about 15 per cent over the past year, with productivity rising only three per cent, and that the DM is now worth almost ten per cent more in dollar terms. Though the figures are less dramatic for other European countries, the situation is basically the same.

'Stagflation'

In most countries the economic situation is therefore characterized by a combination of stagnating activity and inflation (which latter should, according to the textbooks, have generated a hectic boom) for which the term "stagflation" has been coined. In Germany economic growth is expected to be only one per cent in 1972. In Italy it was zero in 1971, and may be two per cent next year. Everywhere investments are flagging as management loses confidence in its profit prospects. No method of reviving the economy without causing another upward surge of wages, prices and production costs has yet been devised. Significantly, Karl Schiller, the German economic boss, had to deny that he was intending to boost the consumer's purchasing power in order to put an end to recessionary trends, even though he has ample funds for that purpose at his disposal. At a time when the German metal industry is in the grip of a major labour conflict over the demand for an 11 per cent wage rise, he must have been anxious not to be accused of supporting inflationary tendencies.

This development must also be watched carefully in this country, because slower economic growth abroad must inevitably result in a weakening of the demand for Israel export products.

Interim Klal dividend

TEL AVIV. — Klal will pay an interim dividend of 5 per cent, effective tomorrow, in addition to the 4 per cent paid in August. The Klal spokesman said that the decision had been taken at a board meeting last week.

Joint U.S.-Soviet oil ventures seen

WASHINGTON (AP). — U.S. Commerce Secretary Maurice H. Stans says U.S. corporations may undertake multibillion-dollar joint ventures with the Soviet Union to develop Soviet oil and gas resources.

Mr. Stans, who recently travelled to Moscow, said the Russians are discussing a "very tentative" plan in which American firms would provide capital, equipment and technology to develop oil, gas and other natural resources.

The Secretary discussed the possibility in a copyrighted interview in "U.S. News and World Report" magazine.

MALRAZ — The Public Council for the Prevention of Noise and Air Pollution — needs money to pay for distributing literature dealing with problems of ecology and pollution to the public of Israel. A pocket book is already in translation. It deals with the problems of operating nuclear power stations taking into account present technology, safety techniques, and the limited knowledge of the effects of radiation on health.

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Betterment tax and improved property

(Continued from Thursday, Dec. 9)

In the Supreme Court Sitting As Court of Civil Appeals

Before Justices Many, Kister and Kahn

Moussia Freda Prives and Others, Appellants, v. Director of Land Betterment Tax, Respondent (C.A.18-71).

The Jerusalem Post **LAW REPORT** Edited by Doris Lankin

TUES., DECEMBER 14, 1971

Betterment tax assessable on acquisition value of occupied apartment

Justice Kister

In concurring with Justice Many that the appeal should be dismissed, Justice Kister noted that the legislature had departed completely from its general attitude to the question of betterment tax when dealing with real estate acquired through inheritance. For while, he explained, the general attitude to betterment tax is that it should be payable on every increase in value of property belonging to private individuals, in the case of inherited property the increase in value of the property during the lifetime of the deceased is ignored and a new page is started when the heir acquires the property. The reason for this is probably, he continued, that the heir is obliged to pay estate duty and the legislature might not have wished to impose a double tax upon him. But whatever the reasoning might be, he held, once the legislature laid down — in section 26 — a different system from the general one for assessing the land betterment tax, he could see no cause for applying this system only in certain circumstances, as advocated by the appellants.

Nor, continued Justice Kister, could he see anything unjust in section 26. For if the assessed value of the property for estate duty purposes was low, then the estate duty payable by the heirs was low. They would have no cause for complaint, therefore, if the land betterment tax they were subsequently called upon to pay was higher for this reason.

He concurred with Justice Many, therefore, concluded Justice Kister, save that he was of the opinion that section 39 (2) of the Land Betterment Tax Law does apply to the case under consideration.

Justice Kahn

In his minority opinion Justice Kahn held that acceptance of the respondent's interpretation of section 26 would result in a repugnancy to the general purpose of the Land Betterment Tax Law and to the special provisions contained therein with respect to individual dwellings.

For, he explained, the general purpose of the law is to levy a tax on the increase in value of real estate at the time it is disposed of. In accordance with the respondent's interpretation, however, the tax would be levied, in the present case and similar ones, not only on the increase in price of the apartment but also on the consideration received by the deceased's widow for renouncing her right of possession of the apartment. In other words, there could be cases where the tax would be levied (on the consideration for granting possession of the property) even if there were no increase in the value of the real estate between the date of the deceased's death and the date at which it is sold, or even if there were a decrease in value during that period — and it was difficult to conceive that the legislature had had any such intention.

As to the special provisions of the law with regard to individual dwellings, continued Justice Kahn, they show that it was the intention of the legislature that the acquisition value and the sales value of such property be assessed, in general, in accordance with its value when unoccupied. In other words, no extraneous factors (such as, for example, whether the owner of the apartment had to pay the occupant thereof to vacate the premises before he could sell the apartment, or whether he was fortunate enough to have succeeded in getting vacant possession of the apartment without paying for it) should be taken into account when levying the betterment tax on the apartment. The interpretation given to section 26 by the respondent, however, he continued, spoils the "symmetry" of the law. For in accordance with this interpretation while all private dwellings acquired through purchase or gift would be assessed for betterment tax purposes as vacant, such dwellings when acquired by inheritance would sometimes be assessed as vacant and sometimes as occupied, depending on how the apartment had been assessed for estate duty purposes. The consequences of this interpretation are manifestly unjust and the Objection Committee's opinion that any injustices would be removed by the application of section 39(2) (which provides that the amount expended on acquiring possession of property may be deducted in determining the amount of the appreciation) is obviously unacceptable since, as Justice Many had pointed out, this section is expressly not applicable to individual dwellings.

In view of the fact that the respondent's interpretation would lead to unjust consequences, continued Justice Kahn, and in view of the fact that the provisions of the law are not so clear and unambiguous as to leave no room for any other interpretation, he was of the opinion that section 26 should be so interpreted as to apply only to such individual dwellings as have been assessed for estate duty purposes as vacant, and not to such apartments as have been assessed for estate duty purposes as occupied (see also Maxwell on Interpretation of Contracts, 12th ed. p. 187).

Appeal dismissed by majority decision with IL750 costs.

Judgment given on November 17, 1971.

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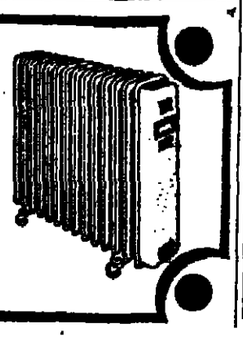

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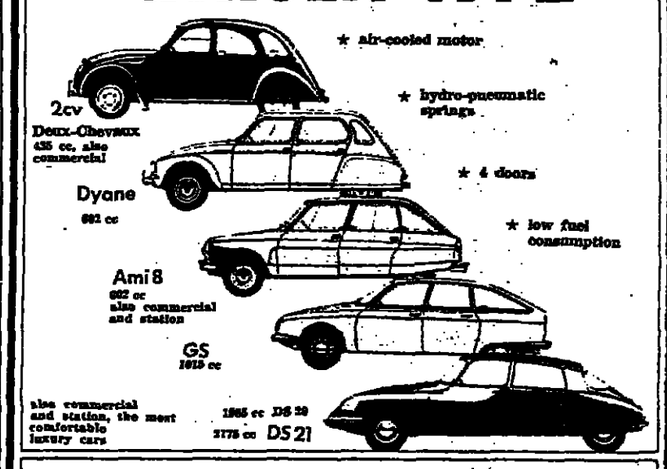

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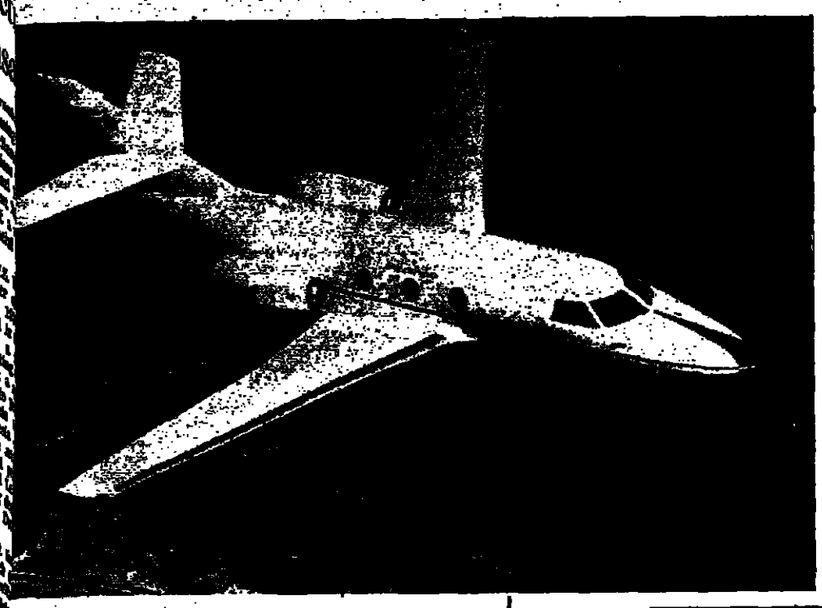


The Falcon 10 light business executive transport plane, introduced last December, is basically a scaled-down version of Dassault's very successful Falcon 20 transport, also known as the Mystère 20.

COUNTERING SOVIET ARMS

By JACK GEE

In the tenth and final excerpt from "Mirage—Warplane for the World," Jack Gee (The Jerusalem Post's Paris Correspondent, Jack Maurice) discusses the Swiss espionage case involving Mirage engine plans, and the way Israel has replaced the Mirage as its principal attack plane.

few days before the Federal Prosecutor's announcement Rotzinger, director of a flourishing export firm, had paid it to one of his warehouses in a Zürich suburb. It was a rday, so he was surprised to see one of his employees, Hans ker, getting into his black Mercedes 220 outside the build- Strecker, a refugee from East Germany, was obviously not cting to see his boss. Without saying a word he drove off at peed.

stified by Strecker's curious behaviour, Rotzinger unlocked warehouse. Inside he found a small crate filled with thick grey sheets of paper marked *Geheime Militarsäche* (Mili- Secret). Rotzinger's training as an engineer showed him at the importance of his discovery. The papers were blue- s for an aircraft engine. Strecker was quickly arrested. He no bones about identifying the source of the secret plans lfred Frauenknecht, head of the engines division of Sulzer, of Switzerland's biggest companies and the manufacturer r licence of the Atar engine for the Swiss Air Force's ges.

auenknecht, whose salary at Sulzar was $830 a month, lived neat five-room bungalow at Aardorf near Zürich with his Elisabeth. The owner of the Café Frühof down the street him well: "He came here once a week for a beer. Some ago he heard that one of my customers owed me $230 and not pay. He settled the debt himself, insisting I should ell his wife. A nice fellow and very popular with all his bours, Herr Frauenknecht".

auenknecht made frequent visits to Paris to discuss work e Atar with technicians at Dassault and SNECMA. It was ably on one of these trips that he was contacted by Israeli igence agents. Frauenknecht was an ideal choice. At the r plant one of his jobs was to make an inventory of the CMA plans each time a batch of documents were returned ne of the score of Swiss firms who acted as sub-contractors e manufacture of the Atar. His instructions were personally spose of the secret papers in an incinerator three miles from ctory.

Unauthorized stopover

auenknecht never drove straight to the incinerator. On the , with Strecker's connivance, he stopped at Rotzinger's ware- e. There he unloaded the Atar plans and left them for ker to deliver across the border at a rendezvous with the lis in Germany. Then he put a crate of waste paper in the of his car and drove on to the incinerator. He always d patiently until a plume of black smoke confirmed that sheet had been consumed by the flames.

auenknecht, a Catholic, told the Swiss police he handed Atar secrets over to the Israelis "out of sympathy for the rew state." But he did not become a spy out of pure ism. He admitted that during the 18 months he served the sad he received $200,000 which he deposited in ten different accounts. The police found almost the entire sum. enknecht got off lightly. He is now serving a four and a half jail sentence.

auenknecht performed a valuable service for the Israelis. pite de Gaulle's embargo they were still receiving French and tooling which could be used to manufacture aircraft s. But, although they could strip down any of their own age jet engines and examine each part under a microscope, could not know which tools and settings to use without the iled plans prepared by the manufacturer. Thanks to their, they discovered that one tiny component of an Atar engine ch had baffled them for years was produced by a machine- *designed for making parts of a Swiss watch.*

Beit Shemesh plant

he engines for the Super Mirage could be produced by el's Beit Shemesh Engineering Company whose factory near salem was founded by Yosef Shidlovsky, owner of France's boméca engine firm. Beit Shemesh has already announced it be producing complete turbojet aeroengines for small planes helicopters by the end of 1970. Now they possess the com- e designs and tooling processes for the SNECMA Atar, the Israelis ought not to encounter any problems in making or fitting this engine in their Super Mirage.

Production of the Super Mirage will not become urgent until 1972. But by then Israel must find replacements for its Ouragans, Sud-Vautours, Mystères and Super-Mystères many of which are already 15-years-old. With the General Electric J79 turbojets which are supplied as spares for the McDonnell-Douglas Phantoms the Israelis are re-engining their Mirage IIIs under a programme which they have code-named 'Salvo'. But, as victims of an embargo from Paris, they refuse to run the risks of finding their new supply line for aircraft and engines cut off from Washington. Priority is therefore being given to manufacture of Israeli engines at Beit Shemesh in order to keep the Mirages flying.

Every plane is vital to the Israelis. Their Air Force is outnumbered four-to-one by those of their foes. In July 1971 the Soviets and Arabs had over 1,500 bombers and fighter-bombers deployed in the Middle East against 360 Israeli planes of equal calibre. This massive gap between the aerial strengths of the two opposing forces was wider than before the Six Day War. In fact, the dice were loaded against Israel more heavily than ever as only one-third of their aircraft were supersonic compared with over half of those flown by Soviet and Arab pilots in the Middle East.

Since 1967 the Russians have poured $6 billion of arms into Egypt, including 800 supersonic MiG-21s and Sukhoi Su-7s as well as tanks, guns and missile boats. Israel received 48 subsonic McDonnell-Douglas A-4 Skyhawk bombers, about 80 Phantoms and artillery from the United States. It also obtained the five gunboats which were spirited away from France.

In the summer of 1970 Israel's command of the air faced a new challenge: the installation of a network of Soviet anti-aircraft missiles along the Suez Canal battle front. Previously Israeli pilots making low-level raids against Egyptian fortifications easily eluded Soviet SAM-2 missiles which cannot be aimed accurately against targets below 3,000 feet. But the Russians provided Egypt with an improved version of the SAM-2. They also installed SAM-3s which can destroy a plane flying as low as 300 feet. The SAM-3, a much more complex missile than the SAM-2, has a top speed of over Mach 3 and precise radar and guidance systems which enable it to change course rapidly and home in on low-flying aircraft.

Serious predicament

These new Russian missile batteries were a threat to Israel's hold on the Sinai bank of the Suez Canal. They challenged Israel's strategy of pounding Egyptian positions across the waterway in order to prevent the enemy building up amphibious forces for an attempt to establish a bridgehead in Sinai. After losing six Phantoms in July and August to Soviet SAMs Israel's predicament was serious. To continue attacking the missile sites might mean heavy losses for its small Air Force. To abandon the attacks would allow the Egyptians to cross the Canal in force and instal themselves in Sinai. With only slightly more than 100 supersonic fighter-bombers in its Air Force—aging Mirage IIIs and new Phantoms—Israel's need for the 50 embargoed Mirage 5s grew more urgent than ever. The acceptance by Egypt and Israel of a ceasefire in August in order to set in motion negotiations for a peace settlement did not diminish the urgency. For, if the peace venture collapsed, reinforcements for the Israeli Air Force would be more vital than ever.

The cease-fire averted, or at least postponed, a full-scale air war between Israel and the Soviet Union. Only five days earlier the truce Israeli radar stations warned Skyhawks and Phantoms which were attacking targets in the southern sector of the Suez Canal that enemy interceptors had taken off from Beni Soueif. A minute later a ground controller announced: "They're Russians!" General Mordechai Hod immediately ordered his Mirage IIIs into action against the Soviet-flown MiGs.

It was a fine summer's day and visibility was excellent. Two French Matra missiles homed in on the enemy, sending two Mig-21s spiralling earthwards. Bursts of cannon fire swiftly destroyed two more Soviet planes. The Israeli pilots saw three Russians eject. A fourth crashed with his MiG. A fifth Soviet fighter was hit but fled across the Canal with smoke pouring from its tail. Before the leader of the MiG formation ejected, the Israelis heard him curse in Russian: "That damned Jew!" Alarmed by the poor showing of his pilots against the Israeli Mirages, the Soviet Air Force Commander Marshal Pavel S. Kutakhov flew to Cairo where he arrived to review the situation on the eve of the cease-fire along the Suez front.

The Israelis do not like to talk about their last-ditch answer to a massive Egyptian invasion backed by Soviet missiles and Soviet-flown MiGs. They would much prefer to entrust their defence to a powerful Air Force. But, despite the continuing embargo on the Mirages, the Israelis owe to France their possession of the ultimate weapon to deter the Arabs from embarking upon their liquidation: the atom bomb.

In 1960 an American U-2 spy plane returned to its base in Spain with some interesting photographs. From the scorching sands of the Negev Desert emerged two shining gold cupolas. When American intelligence agents questioned Israeli scientists about this curious installation, the reply was: "It's only a textile factory." But the plant housed a nuclear reactor which employed over 4,000 technicians. It was built by France at Dimona near the Dead Sea in the heyday of her friendship with Israel. Fuel was readily available, as Uranium 235 was being supplied by the United States for a research reactor which was being used by Israel for medical purposes at Nahal Soreq near Tel Aviv.

By 1964 Dimona's annual output of plutonium was 17½ pounds, enough to produce one small Hiroshima-type bomb every year. Foreign intelligence in Israel has not detected a reprocessing plant which is necessary to separate the plutonium from the used uranium fuel. But such a plant could easily be tucked away on a large site where buildings proliferate. India's separation plant at Trombay, which is far bigger than anything Israel would need, was in operation for a year before the West became aware of its existence.

Atomic potential

Israel rejects suggestions that it is developing atomic weapons. But it stubbornly refuses to sign the Nuclear Proliferation Treaty despite constant pressure from the United States. Israeli leaders, including Premier Golda Meir, insist that their atomic development is intended solely for industrial and medical purposes. But, as one of Israel's most distinguished atomic scientists, Professor David Bergmann, remarks: "By developing atomic energy for peaceful purposes you reach the nuclear option. There are not two separate kinds of atomic energy."

Israel has not conducted any experimental nuclear explosions. Since these cannot be carried out secretly, Israeli scientists can only guess at the amount of lethal fall-out which would be generated by one of their atomic bombs. It is hard to believe that any power would deploy untested nuclear weapons. This is even more true of Israel whose populated centres are so close to those of its enemies that its own people would be dangerously exposed to the deadly nuclear dust released by an atomic blast.

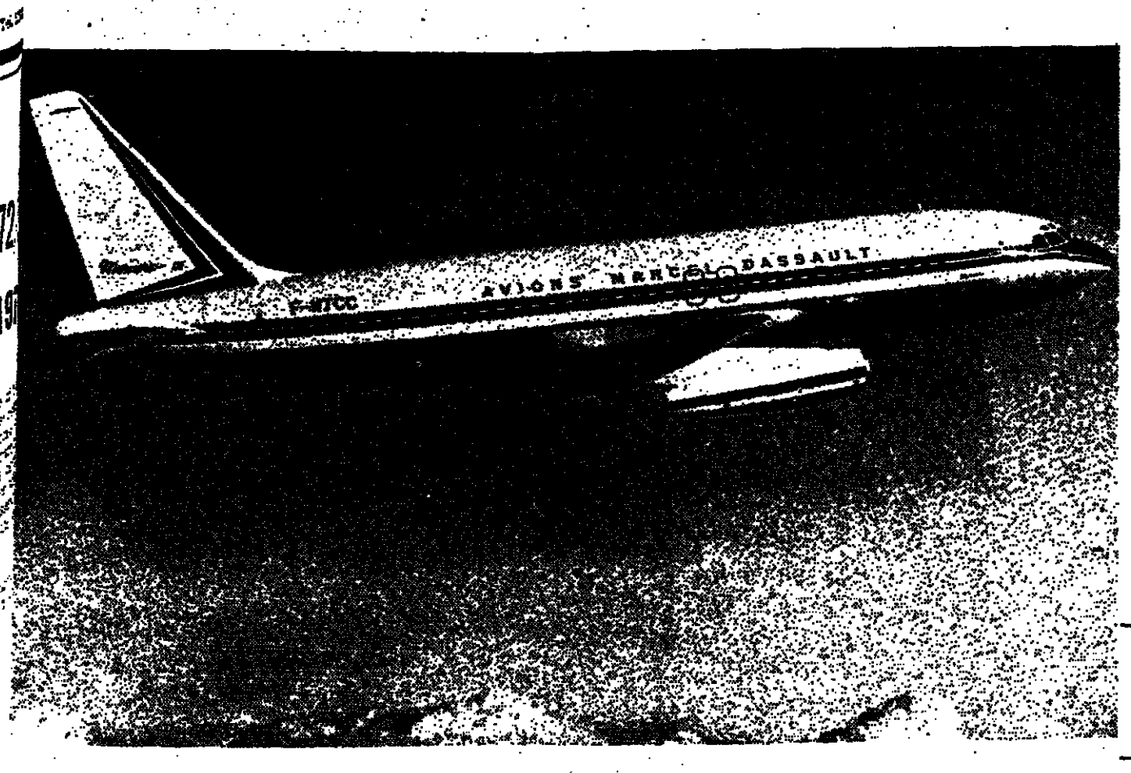
Thanks to France, Israel possesses the tools to make nuclear weapons. It has also obtained from France the means to deliver them. Before the Six Day War, when they were still Dassault's most valued customers, the Israelis approached him with an unusual request. They wanted to develop a rocket which could be fired from a mobile ramp and could strike targets over 300 miles away with almost absolute precision. With the approval of the French government a testing site was set up on the Iles d'Hyères off the French Riviera and launchings were made from Biscarosse on the Atlantic coast. A series of successful shots were made with a margin of error of only 100 yards at a range of 350 miles. The French engineers were proud of their achievement and called the project MD (for Marcel Dassault) 660. The Israelis dug into Jewish Biblical tradition and named it Jericho after the city whose walls crumbled at the blast of Joshua's trumpets. MD 660's blast, which was equivalent to 70 kilotons of T.N.T., was being developed in the closely guarded secrecy of Dimona. But in the spring of 1968 de Gaulle ordered the testing programme to be halted. All the equipment was dismantled. The mobile ramp and a dozen rockets were shipped to Israel where they became available for assembly with nuclear warheads. Israel paid Dassault $20,000,000 for the MD 660 programme.

Striking power

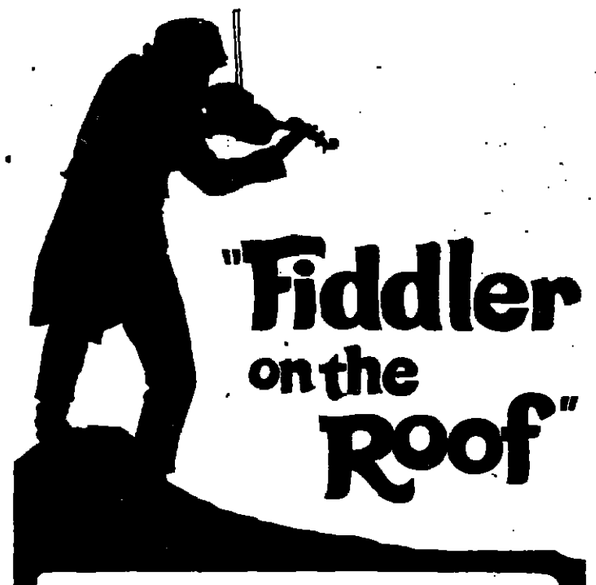
If Israel has produced a nuclear bomb or warhead annually for the past seven years, it now possesses the means to wipe out Arab power for at least a generation. Launched in the nose of a Jericho missile or dropped from the belly of a Phantom or Mirage, the Israeli weapon could destroy the enemy's military potential in minutes instead of the three hours required at the beginning of the Six Day War. Seven Hiroshima-strength bombs could wipe out Cairo, Alexandria, the Aswan Dam, Damascus, Amman, Baghdad and Beirut. All these targets are within the range of a Phantom from inside Israel's pre-1967 borders.

The Israelis reason that awareness of their atomic strength will completely deter the less aggressive members of the Arab camp from involvement in a new Middle East War. For the Soviet Union to provide the more bellicose Arab powers, Egypt and Syria, with nuclear weapons would create political and military problems of such magnitude that the Israelis discount this risk altogether. The threat of direct Soviet nuclear retaliation would not operate as a counter-deterrent. For the Israelis would resort to the atom only as a last desperate act of national suicide if they were confronted by the imminent annihilation of their state and people.

The Israelis trust they will not have to choose the fate of Samson tearing down the Temple or of the defenders of the Massada Fortress who, rather than yield to the Romans, died to the last man. With enough aircraft to defend themselves, they would never envisage the nuclear alternative.



Marcel Dassault's most recent creation, the Mercure short-range commercial transport plane, flew for the first time in May of this year. It can accommodate 155 passengers and is expected to enter airline service in 1973.



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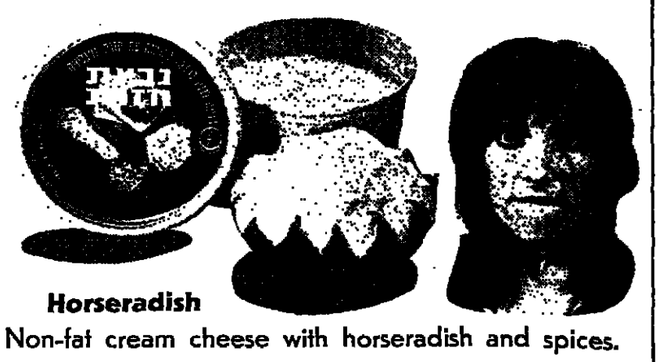

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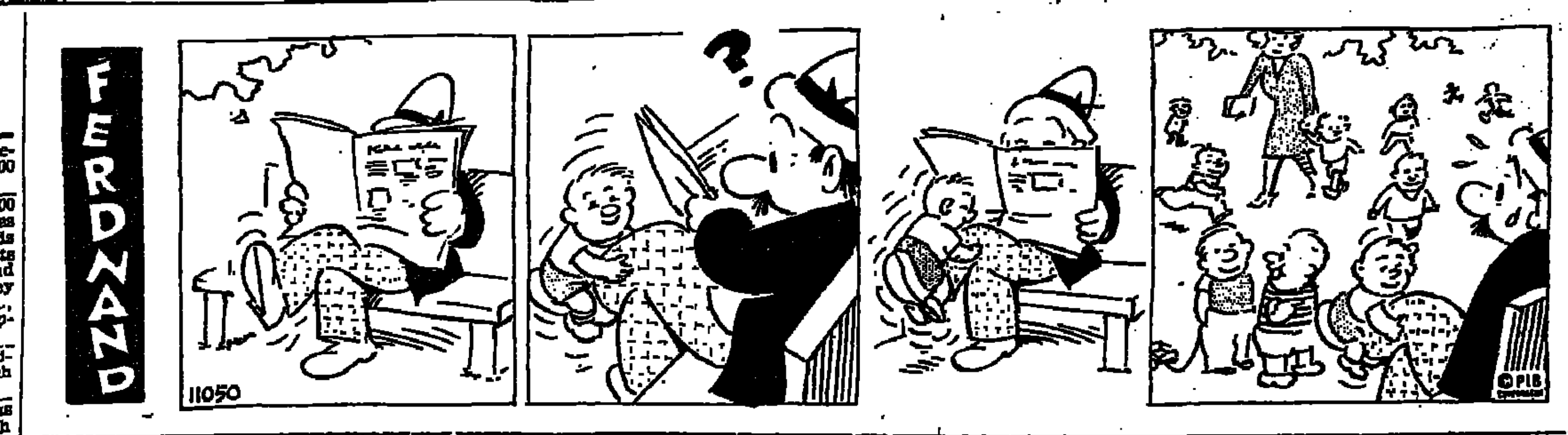

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U.N. vote on Middle East

Davar (Histadrut) discussing the U.N. Assembly vote on the Middle East writes that the outcome of the vote appears to be almost a foregone conclusion, with a majority seemingly assured for the Egyptian draft proposal. "Mrs. Meir's personal note to two African heads of state, the summing-up address which Mr. Eban will deliver in the Assembly, the pressure on the U.S. to bring her influence to bear — it is doubtful whether all these will alter the practical significance of the Assembly's resolution. As far as Israel is concerned, adoption of the resolution will change nothing: it will not be the first anti-Israel resolution to be passed by the Assembly, and this time it will be even more worthless than its predecessors in the light of the debate on the Indo-Pakistan war."

Al Hamishmar (Mapam), saying that there is still a possibility of influencing the vote in a positive direction, writes: "There is a prospect for resumption of the political negotiations, if the U.S. moves for a proposal requiring resumption of the Jarring Mission without prior conditions."

Omer (Histadrut) adds: "The announcements by Jordan's King Hussein and Syrian ruler Hafez Assad, that they are not prepared to fight at present, relieve Sadat of the necessity of implementing his threat. Sadat presumably does not really regret this, since he knows that he is incapable of winning his much-vaunted war."

Lod flights

TUESDAY

ARRIVALS: TWA 811, from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Hongkong and Bombay, 0435; BOAC 803, from Australia, Bangkok, New Delhi and Teheran, 0540; BOAC 315, from Teheran, 0945; El Al 200, from New York, 1120; Alitalia 738, from Rome, 1255; Tarom 247, from Bucharest, 1310; El Al 134, from Nairobi, 1355; CPA 160, from Montreal, Amsterdam and Athens, 1415; El Al 228, from New York, Montreal and Geneva, 1510; Lufthansa 634 from Frankfurt and Munich, 1530; TWA 740, from New York and Frankfurt, 1530; El Al 334, from Nicosia, 1610; TWA 840, from Los Angeles, New York, Rome and Athens, 1635; Air France 192, from Paris and Rome, 1645; THY 996, from Istanbul, 1700; TWA 810, from Washington, Boston Paris, and Athens, 1720; BOAC 770, from London, 1730; Cyprair 302, from Nicosia, 1735; Swissair 330, from Zurich, 1735; KLM 527 from Amsterdam and Rome, 1755; El Al 224, from New York and Rome, 1840; Olympic 301, from Athens, 1855; BEA 482, from London, 1910; El Al 222, from New York and Paris, 1920; El Al 436, from London and Paris, 2020; Air France 130, from Paris, 2030; El Al 430, from Amsterdam and Zurich, 2105; El Al 434, from Rome, 2110; El Al 438, from Athens, 2155.

DEPARTURES: El Al 133, to Addis Ababa and Nairobi, 0200; El Al 337, to Amsterdam and New York, 0230; TWA 811, to Rome, Paris, Boston and Washington, 0600; BOAC 803, to London, 0655; El Al 435, to Munich and London, 0700; Swissair, 331, to Zurich, 0725; TWA 741, to Frankfurt, New York and Los Angeles, 0710; El Al 231, to Paris, Montreal and New York, 0755; El Al 429 to Zurich and Amsterdam, 0820; Air France 139, to Athens and Paris, 0840; TWA 841, to Athens, Rome, New York and Los Angeles, 0850; Sabena 572, to Vienna and Brussels, 0925; BEA 483, to London, 0925; BOAC 315, to London, 1030; El Al 15, to London and New York, 1000; KLM 526, to Rome and Amsterdam, 1010; El Al 333, to Nicosia, 1300; Alitalia 739 to Rome, 1545; El Al 433, to Rome, 1400; Cyprair 303, to Nicosia, 1815; Lufthansa 637, to Munich and Frankfurt, 1620; El Al 437, to Athens, 1730; Air France 193, to Teheran, New Delhi, Bangkok and Tokyo 1735; THY 997, to Istanbul, 1740; BOAC 770, to Teheran and New Delhi, 1815. TWA 810, to Bombay, Bangkok, Hongkong, Los Angeles and San Francisco, 1820.

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FIRST PROGRAMME
1.58 p.m. Opening. 2.10 Mother and Child. 2.35 Quiz by Shmuel Rosen. 3.05 "Listen to the Band." 4.04 Place in the News. 4.15 "Musical Chairs" — Musical Story and Questions — produced by Avi Hanani. 4.35 Talmud lesson. 4.55 Book Review. 5.05 Vocal and Instrumental Recital — Herut Israeli — Piano — Nine Preludes by Franz Czellitzer — Six Etudes by Lidya Ivanova — Rema Samsonov. Yona Ettlinger, Yaacov Menze and Ruth Menze: Yacob Gilboa: "Fleeting Clouds." 5.55 Announcements. 6.05 Kindling of Lights. 6.15 On People and Numbers. 6.35 "Musical Miniatures." 6.55 For the Farmer — Daily News Service. 7.00 "This Day": People and Events in the News. 7.30 "A Bit of Music." 7.50 Bible Reading: Melachim II, chaps. 5 & 6. 8.09 Tonight's Programmes 8.10 Reminiscences of Eretz Yisrael. 8.30 "Towards the Concert" — Programme produced by Edna Anati. 8.30 The Israel Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra (a direct relay in Stereo from the Y.M.C.A. Hall, Jerusalem) Conductor: George Singer; Soloist: Wilhelmine Bucherer — Harp; Hanoch Tel-Oren — Flute; Peter Walfish — Piano (Guest from England) — Max Reger: "Lustspiel" Overture op. 120; Artur Gelbrun: Fantasy for Flute, Harp, and Orchestra (First performance) — during the Intermission: Two Nocturnes by John Field played by the Pianist Peter Walfish — Incidental Music by Ibert (Hanoch Tel-Oren and Wilhelmine Bucherer): "The Brook" by Hasselmans (Wilhelmine Bucherer); Keneth Leyton: Piano Concerto No. 1; Smetana: "From Bohemian Meadows and Forests" Symphonic Poem. 10.45 Poetry 11.05 "Chamber Music" Roussel: String Quartet in D major, op. 45 (the Loewenguth String Quartet); Dvorak: Sextet in A-major opus 40 (Members of Berlin Philharmonic Octet). 12.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
6.00 a.m. Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.58 A Moment Poetry. 7.05 Press Review. 7.15 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 "From A to Z." 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.). 9.49 The Small Ad Corner. 10.05 Housewife's Corner. 12.07 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 "At Midday" — News and Music. 2.03 Press Review 2.10 Where to Go. 2.35 This is Rivka Michaeli. 3.53 "Encore" — ed. by S. Rosen. 4.05 Oriental Songs — requests. 4.30 Quiz by S. Rosen. 4.35 Oriental Songs (cont.). 5.04 "The Hit Makers." 6.07 "Mixed Notes." 6.40 Sport Corner. 6.49 Small Ad Corner. 6.59 Close Down. 9.03 p.m. "Do-Re-and-Who-Else." (repeat). 10.04 "Ten Plus Club." 12.05 "Good Night" — songs and melodies. 1.05 a.m. Close Down.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE
5.30 Sesame Street. 7.30 Kindling of Lights. 7.35 Family Affair. 8.00 Mabat. 8.30 Science and Knowledge. 9.20 The Giants of Jazz. 10.00 News. 10.05 Service Broadcast.
ARABIC: 6.30 For the Family. 7.00 News and the daily events.

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ARMY PROGRAMME
216, 225 and 235 M.
11.00 a.m. Requests. 11.15 From the Hebrew Hit Parade. 11.30 It Happened. 11.35 Requests. (cont.). 12.00 News. 12.05 Requests (cont.). 12.30 What's changed. 12.35 Requests (cont.). 1.00 News. 1.05 Thirty Plus. 1.30 Sports Corner. 1.35 Thirty Plus (cont.). 1.45 Announcements for Soldiers. 2.00 News. 2.05 Personal Announcements. 2.10 Close Down.
2.57 p.m. Opening. 3.00 News. 3.05 Please Call — with Edna Shavit. 4.00 News. 4.05 Please Call (Cont.). 5.00 News. 5.05 Kindling of Lights. 5.10 Requests. 5.40 Zahal's Diary. 6.00 News. 6.05 Army Press Conference with Taf Aluf Eldar — Chief Medical Officer. 7.00 News. 7.05 From Him to You — special requests. 8.00 News. 8.05 Songs and melodies. 8.30 1971 Hit Songs. 9.00 News. 9.05 Hit Songs (cont.). 10.00 News. 10.05 "Rolette" — Entertainment on the Wheel of Chance. 11.00 News. 11.05 Let's Talk with Nathan Donewitz. 12.00 News. 12.05 Close Down.

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238 M. (Medium Wave)
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Police may guard schools from thugs

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Police may station officers outside schools which, in recent months, have become targets for thugs who terrorize pupils after school hours. This was revealed to The Jerusalem Post last night by the Tel Aviv District Police spokesman, Rav-Pakad Amos Aricha, who said the police are "considering a wide range of possibilities to cope with the violence we are witnessing of late. One of the best options open to us is to station policemen in trouble spots."

The police spokesman was reacting to reports of hooligans breaking up school parties and evening social gatherings in some of North Tel Aviv's more prosperous neighbourhoods.

Gymnasia Herzliya's principal, Dr. Carmi Yoggev, told *The Post* last night that his school has been forced to hire a watchman to protect the pupils there for the past two years. "We started having trouble whenever we had some social event in the evening hours. If we had a lecture, nothing happened; but if we were giving a party or putting on a play, we would always have some delinquents pushing their way in. As a result we saw to it that there would always be a teacher, a parent, our night watchman and a hired guard at the school." Dr. Yoggev said.

He explained that the school had to resort to private protection, "since the police kept telling us they would act when we alerted them — which was often too late." As Dr. Yoggev sees it, the only way to solve the problem would be to see to it that "boys from the poorer sections of town are given something to do, so they won't have to go uptown to look for excitement. Maybe we should have more clubs and opportunities for social activities in slum areas," he said.

Rav-Pakad Aricha told *The Post* that "cases of hooliganism in the high schools have been isolated in the past two years, but we are taking care of the problem. Suspects have been arrested and brought to trial, and we are studying the possibilities of preventive action." He explained that police protection can only apply to schools that are known as targets for hooligans. "In other cases, and in the cases of private parties that are broken up, we can only act when alerted. We cannot put a policeman everywhere," he *said*.

Britain, Scandinavia asked to reduce freight rate rise

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Shippers Council, *representing importers and exporters*, yesterday cabled demands to the British Conference and the Scandinavian Lines to reduce to 10 per cent their projected 12.5 per cent freight rate increase, set for January 1. Council Secretary Arieh Mebulal told *The Post* that the planned increase would cost the traders an extra IL5m. a year.

In his cables, he noted that the British Conference had raised its rates several times during the past three years, more than any other conference serving Israel. He added that *Israel's price control* obliged them to give sound reasons for raises and the Council considered their intended increases excessive.

The Council also appealed to the Shippers Councils in Britain and Scandinavia to work for a moderation of the rise from their end as the higher freight rates would affect their trade too.

'No nuclear power station before 1980'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Even if the Government decides immediately to go ahead with plans for the construction of a nuclear power station, it will not be operating before 1980. This was stated by the Director-General of the Development Ministry, *Mr. Y. Vardi, at the founding* conference of the Israel Nuclear Society at the Negev University here yesterday.

The purpose of the Society *is* to find a common base for the exchange of knowledge between the various branches of nuclear science. The president is Prof. S. Yiftah, a member of the Israel Nuclear Energy Commission.

CARGO VESSELS EXPECTED

AT HAIFA PORT:

NORDIA	10.12
BRANCO	11.12
SOTIRIOS C.	12.12
DEROR	13.12
BAT HARIM	13.12
NAUSIKA	14.12
DIAMOND	13.12
ALON	15.12
GEFFEN	15.12
OPHIR	15.12
SALILA	15.12
BRILLIANT	16.12
MARITA	16.12
LEANNA	18.12

AT ASHDOD PORT

BIRK	14.12
WISKONSIN	18.12
HEHALUTZ	18.12

AT EILAT PORT

SISSY	12.12
TVERYA	18.12
ASH. HAIQ	19.12

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Controversial *Seker* item cancelled

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Education Minister Yigal Allon and the Executive of the Ministry of Education met yesterday and decided to cancel the controversial passage in the *Seker* which was criticized earlier this week in "Ha'aretz," on the grounds that it reflected racialism. The marks of the 50,000 children who took the exam last Thursday will now be worked out without reference to how they scored on this comprehension passage.

Mr. Shraga Adiel, the outgoing Deputy Director-General and head of the Pedagogic Secretariat, who is responsible for the *Seker*, told *The Post* yesterday: "We cancelled it because the content of the passage was very unfortunate." It is wrong to give children the impression that non-Jews in this country had not created anything important, as the passage stated, he said. However, Mr. Adiel pointed out, the rest of the passage—which stated that Jews had settled here continuously and that they regarded themselves *and were regarded* as the elite of the Jewish people — was quite correct. The multiple-choice format, which was also criticized in "Ha'aretz," *was also "quite* correct and pre-tested," he added.

Mr. Adiel admitted: "We were wrong. When in doubt, don't give it to children."

Lebanese return Beersheba man

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ROSH HANIKRA. — Lebanese authorities yesterday returned a Beersheba man to Israel police. He is David Jeretcaro, 21, who will be charged with leaving Israel illegally and entering Lebanon last July.

Jeretcaro, who was arrested by Lebanese police, spent most of his time in that country sitting in jail. Lebanese authorities informed Israel through the International Red Cross and three weeks ago offered to return him to Israel. However, the transfer had to be cancelled because *Jeretcaro refused to return* to Israel.

When returned yesterday, he refused to tell reporters why he had *fled to Lebanon*. Police are now questioning him and checking his background.

On trial for murder of terror recruiter

By H. BEN-ADI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

GAZA. — Two young men from *Khan Yunis* yesterday went on *trial* in a military court here for the murder of a recruiting officer of a terrorist group. The two admitted to killing the officer, but pleaded not guilty to murder, claiming that he had threatened to blow them up and they had acted in self-defence.

The accused are Omar Dib Amer, 17, and Radek Hassan el-Issawi, 21. The charge sheet says both were inactive members of terrorist organizations — Amer of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine; *and Issawi of the Fatah.*

According to the prosecution, Amer was approached last July by Issa el-Akad, 30, a unit commander in the P.F.L.P., who asked to be taken to Issawi, so he could recruit him to his group. When they got to Issawi's house, Akad took out a grenade and threatened to kill them both unless Issawi agreed to join.

But the two overpowered Akad and stabbed him to death, the charge sheet says.

Wanted men being held in Gaza

Jerusalem Post Reporter

GAZA. — Security forces here are holding an undisclosed number of the men arrested in Sunday's swoop on *Beit Hanun* and the Shati refugee camp. Others were released after questioning.

The detainees are all wanted terrorists, it was stated.

Yesterday, one suspected terrorist was arrested in Jebalya.

Department head resigns at Radio

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel Radio, was shaken yesterday by the resignation of the head of the Current Events Department, Mr. Yitshak Roeh.

A popular broadcaster, who has continued at the microphone after taking on his new assignment several months ago, Mr. Roeh listed a *number of* long-standing grievances in his letter of resignation to Mr. Amos Gordon, head of the Division of News and Current Events.

Chief among these were said to be the delays in inaugurating an early-morning news magazine — Mr. Roeh's favourite new idea. The delays have officially been attributed to the refusal of technicians to serve the programme unless their own long-standing demands for improved working conditions are met.

Mr. Roeh's resignation is not final, however. The matter is expected to be taken up today between him and Mr. Gordon, and next week with Director-General Shmuel Almog, now on vacation. Meanwhile Mr. Roeh's radio colleagues have pledged him fuull support by all measures — including a strike, if necessary.

THE SHMUEL DAYAN Agricultural School, named in memory of the Defence Minister's late father, was dedicated yesterday in Hatzeva, in the northern Arava.

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
TENDER No. 147/71

Tenders are invited for the supply of:

27 units: water pump 2x2 as per specification No. 185
10 units: water pump 3x3 as per specification No. 186

Tender forms and further particulars can be obtained from the Director, Purchasing and Supply Division, 472 Rehov Herzl, Tel Aviv, daily during working hours.

The tender must be accompanied by a letter of guarantee or cheque of a recognized bank in the amount of 110% of the first IL50,000.- and 5% of the balance (if any) of the amount specified in the tender form.

Tender, accompanied by the guarantee, must be addressed to the Director-General, Ministry of Communications, Jerusalem, in double envelopes, the inner envelope is to be marked "Confidential — tender No. 147/71". Tenders not submitted in the above manner will not be considered.

Tenders must be submitted not later than December 24, 1971.

The Ministry of Communications is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender nor to order the entire quantity from a single contractor.

Tenders by telegram will not be accepted.

Director-General,
Ministry of Communications

Court asked to close down Netanya club

By AVRAHAM YAHEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NETANYA. — *The police* have asked for a court order to close a discotheque housed in an air raid shelter on Kikar Hameyasdim here. The application followed numerous neighbours' complaints of noise coming from the discotheque, Neptune, and unruly behaviour by its patrons.

The local police chief, Chief Inspector E. Beinberg, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the police were aware that the Neptune was a nuisance in this residential neighbourhood and had issued it with *several summonses*.

He had been asked to comment after a letter — complaining of the noise and "orgies on our doorsteps" — appeared in *The Post* a fortnight ago, signed by "46 desperate families in Kikar Hameyasdim."

The square is a new residential area, although on the official municipal map it is zoned as an "entertainment and business" area. The Neptune was built underground on private land and is meant to serve as an air raid shelter in time of emergency.

The Deputy Mayor of Netanya in charge of business licences, Mr. Hillel Zur, asked to comment on the letter, said that the Municipality had not renewed the discotheque's licence and it was up to the courts to decide. He pointed out that both the Health Ministry and the police had approved the original licence application.

Haim Topol and his 9-year-old son, Omer, at Lod Airport, to welcome director Norman Jewison (extreme left) and Mrs. Jewison. (Israel Sun)

IL200,000 in proceeds expected

'Fiddler' to premiere this week for charity

By SARA WILKINSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Proceeds from the sale of tickets for the premieres of "Fiddler on the Roof" — to be held in the three main cities this week — will bring the Weizmann Institute of Science and the Variety Club Charities IL200,000, star Haim Topol announced yesterday, when he and producer-director Norman Jewison met the press in Tel Aviv.

Premieres held so far in the U.S. and in Europe *have* brought in over $1m. for philanthrophic and scientific causes.

Looking well — slimmer than usual and in good spirits — Topol made special mention of the Paris premiere, which took place at the Opera House. "Chagall's fiddler on the ceiling, ours on the screen, Mayor Teddy Kollek making a speech — a very Jewish one. It was certain*ly a unique night out* at the Opera," he quipped.

Canadian-born Norman Jewison, a very young-looking director in his mid-forties — who has to his credit "The Russians are Coming, the Russians are Coming," the Oscar-winning "In the Heat of the Night," and "The Landlord," among his nine films — said he has very pleased with "Fiddler." He said he made *the film because the story appealed* to him — and because he thinks Sholom Aleichem is a "very great writer" whose work is not sufficiently well known in the West, especially in North America. "It is a story about a human dignity, survival and the breaking down of traditions, a story which can speak as persuasively today as when it was written," he says.

Although *he comes from Methodist* stock, Jewison said the *shtetl* characters and background posed no frightening problems for him. He had, however, done intensive research, during which he went through the Van Leer Archives in Haifa. There he unearthed an old Jewish film made by Sergei Eisenstein's cameraman, one scene of which depicted a Jewish village wedding. He said he drew on that for the wedding scene in "Fiddler."

Asked why he had chosen Haim Topol for the leading role, Jewison replied that the choice had been very difficult. Several actors — in*cluding Zero Mostel, who made such* a success of the part on Broadway, and Danny Kaye — had been eager to appear in the film. But, Jewison said, he had wanted somebody who could convey reality and depth and *a sense of pride* in the humble existence of a milkman. He remembered having seen Topol in "Sallah Shabati," and had been very impressed. "It was a brilliant performance," he noted.

The director noted that the wooden *synagogue from* the Yugoslavian set (where the outdoor scenes were *shot*) had *not been torn down* at the end of the shooting, as the other buildings had. This one, a perfect replica of one of the old wooden *synagogues* of Eastern Europe, is "a beautiful thing," according to Jewison, and he would like to see it find a home in Israel. He added that he has approached Brandeis University and several other organizations for financial help towards this end — but, so far, with no success.

Jewison paid special tribute to violinist Isaac Stern, who plays the melodic theme. (It was the musical *director, John Williams, who found* the melody — which was sung to him by his Jewish wife, who recalled it from childhood.)

Toy Fund total tops IL15,000 already

By HELEN ROSSI
Jerusalem Post Women's Editor

The Jerusalem Post Toy Fund's host of regular contributors are acting quickly, as our very long list indicates. They are being joined by an ever-widening circle of new friends, who will help make our 23rd drive memorable.

Keeping the promise made in his *first letter* of last week, *Dr. Jordan* Hale of the Elmont (N.Y.) Community Centre sent another cheque for $133 which arrived yesterday. He promises another before the drive ends. And from Elite Ltd., who have followed the Toy Fund from its beginning, came a IL500 cheque.

THE JERUSALEM POST HANUKKA TOY FUND

Cash donations received yesterday came to IL2,315.53. The total so far stands at IL15,033.78. The Toy Fund needs your help now. Please get your contributions in during the Hanukka week — although we will take them even if they are late.

TOY FUND LIST

$133 — Elmont Jewish Centre, *Elmont*, N.Y. (2nd donation).
IL500 — Elite Ltd. Ramat Gan.
IL150 — Monday Bridgeplayers Plus.
$18 — Remembering Harry — Beverly Brager. For Ada, Tammi, Yaya, Michali, Dudu, and Ron from Uncle David, Hallandale, Florida.
IL50 — In memory of Judith Quat.
$10 — Hanan & Frances Gavrieli.
IL40 — *Mrs. Presser, Jersey City, N.Y.* in honour of Israeli hospitality.
IL35.55 — Bridge Club, Mt. Carmel.
IL35 — Savyon Bridge Players.
IL30 — To Carni & Barak Luchtenstein *Beersheba, and Yoav and Oded* Lasowski, Jerusalem from Saba and Sabta Ramat Gan. In honour of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rifken; M. Kenexfeld, for ten grandchildren; *Jerusalem. Anne Stern Margulies* — in memory of Chanan Stern. Instead of Hanukka presents for Idit and Kareen in Chapel Hill, N.C. — from Karl and Eva Nathan.
IL25 — *In memory of Leila Joseph. In* memory of my husband Simon Shabrinsky; L.Z. Klein; Sabta — love for her grandchildren, Eran, David, Alona, Michal and Chen — *Dr. Lora Stein: Tel Aviv. In* memory of their beloved mother, Emilia Nathan — Else and Adolf Steifel, Rehovot. From Louie and Frank — in memory of our father Samuel. Conmar, Concepts and Marketing Ltd., Jerusalem. L.B.N., Kfar Shmaryahu. H.M. in memory of M.M. Rose Liberman, Gesher Haziv. Lucie Triber, Ramat Gan — in loving memory of Heinz Triber and Herbert and Ester Feuerstein and Louis Meissenberg.
$5 — Louis and Esther Silverstein, Brooklyn, N.Y. — in memory of our Aunt Eva Silverstein and Uncle Simon Safer.
IL21 — To the memory of Asher Czaczkes, on the fourth anniversary of his death — one pound for each of our grand and great-grandchildren.
IL20 — Kate Stiassny, Savyon. Hannah Berson, Brooklyn, N.Y. — in *memory of a wonderful trip to Is*rael. In honour of the Bar-Mitzva of Solomon Shapiro, Ottawa, Canada, from Lloyd, Michele and Ira Florence. Eytan and Ido, Haifa. *In loving memory of my son* Jobjakim and my sister Lisabetti — R.W.; N.N.; Tel Aviv. Else Levi-Muehsam; Mr. & Mrs. J. Weiss; Jerusalem. Trude Mendel, *Gedera*.
IL18 — Hal-Raaya and Shuli Neuberger, Jerusalem. In honour of our grandchildren — Eugen and Margot Newmann, Tel Aviv.
IL15 — Cibulski, Haifa, *on behalf* on Dubi, Gil, Oded and Naomi. H.W. Kaiser Bluth; *N.N.*; Tel Aviv. Hilda Levy. Ramat Hadar — instead of a present to a girl who has everything. Wolf and Kaethe Sugar, Hadera — as usual for our grand-nephews. Gaby & Micky Alexander and a special welcome to Malke Chelfetz Tussman who arrived recently in Israel. Dr. Margaret Isaac-Braband and Dr. E. Isaac. Tel Aviv. Rosi and Rolf Katz, Ramat Gan — in memory of our son Yoram. Anonymous, Pardess-Hannah.
IL10 — M. & M., Bat Yam. For Shoshi, from Saba and Savta C.E. Weinberger; M.E. for Omer and Sohar; In memory of Rabbi Dr. Philipp and his wife *Louise: Adele Bavly* — in memory of Marian Hoofien; M.G.; Regina Israelson; F.v.W.; Jerusalem. Meta Hammerschlag, Ramat Gan — in memory of my *nephew Yoram Katz. Dr. & Mrs.* Myer Freed; Dvora Katz; Arad. Mr. & Mrs. H. Sax, Givatayim. For Asaf from his grandparents Rita & Harold Behr. Mr. & Mrs. *Aron Cohn and their children* Carig, Stuart and Dana of New York. Yaron Ophir, Beersheba. Mrs. G. Preiss, Kiryat-Motzkin, in the name of her grandchildren Yochai, *Ronith and Shai Press, Kibbutz* Nachshon. For Tami Shmulik, Dana and Liora Bonne Maman: N.N.; Tel Aviv. In loving memory of Savta Bertha — Ori and Karni *Frank, Holon. In memory of the* late Miryam Rosenthal — Frankel and of Edith and Rudi Robinsohn — M. Rosenthal, Ramat Hadar. Hana Agel, Kiryat Ono. Gidi and *the twins Yael and Rachel Ros*man; M.L.: Haifa.
IL9 — For nine grandchildren — Bep and Eli Dasberg: For Oma Kaufmann — on the occasion of her birthday — Bep and Eli Dasberg: Tel Aviv.
IL8 — In the name of the eight grandchildren — Fam J. de Jong, Tel Aviv.
IL5.50 — From Ayal Ben Ari — in memory of my grandfather, Hyman.

The Bayit Vegan Synagogue
congratulates
Rabbi Simon Dolgin
upon his appointment as
Director-General of the Ministry of Religious Affairs
We wish this dynamic leader of American Jewry every success in the tasks of his new office and are confident that B'ezrat Hashem, he will instill a new unity in the Jewish community of Israel under the banner of Tora.
Bayit Vegan Synagogue
Michael Kaufman, President

Record tourism seen for Christmas 1971

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Coming at the end of a record year for Israel tourism, Christmas 1971 is expected to surpass all previous years in the number of pilgrims arriving. Advance bookings show that between 30,000 and 35,000 people will arrive between December 20 and December 31, Mr. Israel Zuriel, Deputy Director-General of the Ministry of Tourism, *told The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Some 250 pilgrimage groups are expected for the Christmas period, and 10 cruise ships will be calling at Haifa to enable their passengers to be in the Holy Land for Christmas. *The special organized groups* are coming from all parts of the world, including the U.S., Canada, Europe, Africa and Asia. Many of them will be headed by high-ranking clergymen, and some of the groups from Italy will be composed almost entirely of Catholic priests.

Hotels around the country report very heavy bookings. Both East and West Jerusalem hotels are almost 100 per cent booked, and people trying to find room for Christmas in East Jerusalem are finding it almost impossible.

The top-grade hotels in Tel Aviv and Herzliya report 95 to 100 per cent bookings, and the smaller hotels in Tel Aviv have Christmas bookings in the region of 80 to 90 per cent. The hotels in Haifa, Netanya and Tiberias all report very heavy bookings. The three guest houses in Bethlehem itself are also reportedly booked up for the holiday.

Last Christmas saw 20,000 visitors arriving, so this year's expected influx of 30,000 to 35,000 will be an increase of at least 50 per cent — setting a new high for Christmas tourism since 1967. Last December some 35,000 tourists visited the country, and the Ministry of Tourism estimates that this year the figure will be in the region of 50,000 for the whole month.

Bethlehem, the focal point *of* interest, will again be a closed area on Christmas Eve. Tourists wishing to visit the town will have to get special passes from the Tourist Information Offices in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv or Haifa. These passes do not include entrance to the Basilica of the Nativity for midnight mass, for which tickets may be obtained from the Franciscan Pilgrims Office, P.O.B. 186, Jerusalem. The mass will be relayed to a huge screen in Manger Square by closed-circuit television.

CAROLERS

A number of choirs from the U.S. and Bethlehem will sing Christmas carols in Manger Square from 9 p.m. till midnight, as usual.

Private cars will be excluded from the town on December 24, and special transportation will be provided by Egged Tours and the East Jerusalem and Bethlehem bus companies. Egged Tours will also provided transportation from Tel Aviv, Haifa and Netanya to Bethlehem on Christmas Eve.

Nine churches in Nazareth will hold special midnight masses *on* December 24. Free invitations will be available at the Tourist Information Office in the town. This office will also issue tickets to tourists for the Municipality's traditional Christmas party, which will start at 8.30 p.m. Earlier in the evening, at 5.30, a girls choir from Texas will give a special concert at the Y.M.C.A.

No rights for Alitalia Xmas jumbo flights

By ZE'EV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Aviation Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Alitalia has been forced to cancel three jumbo flights to Israel during the Christmas-New Year holidays. Some 1,200 passen*gers, including 300 Baptist pilgrims*, who had booked with Alitalia flights scheduled for Christmas Eve, December 29 and January 6, will now have to forego their trip or book with other companies, because Israel's Civil Aviation Authority is refusing the Italian national carrier the extra landing rights for the giant aircraft.

The reasons for the refusal, as *The Jerusalem Post* learned from well-informed circles here yesterday, is the long-standing bickering between El Al and Alitalia. The two companies have been unable to agree on fifth landing rights through Rome to Latin America for El Al on the one hand, and an increased *flight frequency to Lod by Alitalia*, on the other. Rights granted to the Italian carrier out of Lod include an option to fly to the Far East. This has, however, not been taken up by Alitalia to date; and its Far-Eastern flights skip this part of the world, flying non-stop from Rome to Bombay.

Hillel again invites Arab pilgrims to visit holy places

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel yesterday repeated his earlier invitation to Arabs living abroad to visit places sacred to their faith in Israel.

Touring the Ramallah and el-Bira area yesterday, Mr. Hillel urged West Bank Arabs to invite their relatives, including those in Arab countries, to make pilgrimages to *holy sites in this country if* they so wished.

During his tour, which included meetings with local leaders, he was asked why Israel employers were taking away so many local workers, leaving the area with almost no working hands. He replied: "Pay them the same wages here, and they will stay."

Mr. Hillel also visited the Ramallah jail, where he chatted with many of the prisoners, and also dropped in to the Silvana chocolate factory, where he viewed the new machinery the operators have acquired as part of their expansion programme.

*THREE YOUNG MEN of the vil*lage of Deir al-Sika, in the Little Triangle, have been sentenced by an Acre court for stealing three and *a half tons of bananas* from plantations in Kibbutz Kabri. The trio used a tender to haul the fruit away.

Rich fridge leads to arrest of two

TEL AVIV. — Two owners of a Tel Aviv cafe yesterday were ordered remanded for five days after police reported finding half a *million pounds in foreign* currency in a refrigerator in their cafe, at 26 Rehov Lilienblum.

Sergeant-Major Rafael Brownstein, of the Central Police District, said police have reason to believe the money was part of a collection of loot from robberies and burglaries. He said that, in addition to the money, gold articles, bonds and cheques were also found in the cafe.

The two owners, Ron Zamidian and David Doumani, denied the allegations.

Sergeant Brownstein said that during the police raid on the establishment last week-end some men had fled the cafe with other stolen goods. He said the place had served as a trading post for stolen property and foreign currency. *(Itim)*

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Poalim Bank in demand

Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Bank Hapoalim shares continued to be in demand yesterday. Its registered (1,700) rose by 1.0 to 215; its bearer (6,700), by 0.5 to 216 (and then to 217); and its 10 per cent (4,100) by 1.0 to 221 (then 222).

In general, the trend was upwards yesterday, with the turnover being IL485,600; of this, IL100,200 was in the variables. Dollar-linked bonds fell slightly; index-linked were firm.

The general index of share prices rose by 0.37 per cent to stand at 150.15.

The investment dollar remained at IL4.28, and some $32,000 was traded. In Lilienblum Street, the market dollar was IL4.54, and the DM was IL1.44.

Bank Leumi (25,000) gained 1.5 to 239; Azorim (3,000) rose by 20; Electra ordinary (8,100) gained 1.0; Electra "A" (8,490) rose by 1.0 to 124 (then 124.5); Jordan Exploration (6,000) rose by 2.0 *to 40, and* then fell to 39; and Dubek (11,700) rose by 10 to 191 (then 195).

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LINKED TO THE DOLLAR		
5% Dead Sea Junior	198	198
6% Electric Corp. Tranche A	122.9	123.5
5% Electric Corp. Tranche B	125	124.6
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Capital and Investment)		
Milve Klita 1965	163	163.4
Bitahon 1968	130.6	130.6
Bitahon 1969	122.3	122
SHARES		
Electric Corp. — O.	56	56.5
Union Bank of Israel — O.	126	126
Ozar Hit. Hayehudim — O.S.	188	188
I.D.B. Co. — O.	135	135
Gen. Mortgage Bank — O.	145.5	145
Pal.-British Bank — O.	146	146
Israel Discount Bank — "A" O.	281	280
Mizrachi Bank Ltd. — O.	136.5	138
Carmel Mort. & In. Bk. — "O"	112	112
Bank Leumi — "A" O.S.	237	239
Mg. & In. Bk. for Bldg.—"D" O.	98.5	99.5
Bank Hapoalim — 10% P.O.	219	221
Industrial Dev. Bk. —8% P.O.	84.5	84.5
Develop. & Mortg. Bank — O.T.	205	207
Housing Mortg. Bank — O.	142.5	142.5
G.U.S.-Rassco — O.	84	84
Israel Cent. Tr. & Inv.	126	126
Hassneh Insurance Co. — O.	116.5	118.5
Wolfson, Clore, Mayer—O. IL1	98	98.5
Wolfson, Clore, Mayer—O. IL10	57.5	58
Tefahot Isr. Mor. Bank 8% P.O.	137	137.5
Tefahot Is. Mortg. Bank — O.	136	137
Sahar — "C" O.	93.5	92.5
Azorim — O.	83	85
Africa-Pal. Investment—O. IL10	145.5	146.5
Israel Land Dev. Co. — O.R.	115.5	115.5
Isr. Land Dev. Co. — 60/61 O.T.	116.5	116
I.C.P. Israel Citrus Plant.—O.	58	56.5
Property & Build. Corp. — O.	135	135
Mehadrin	141.5	141
Pri Or Ltd.	126.5	126.5
Anglo-Israel Investors — O.	90.5	91.5
Rassco — 8% P.O.T.	56	56
Rassco — O.	37.5	37.5
Isras	74	74
Neot Aviv — O.	39	39
Alliance — B.T.	631	625
"Elco" Isr.El.-Mech. In.—O.T.	88	88
"Argaman" — 8% P.O.T.	172	171
"Ata" — "C" O.	109	108.5
Motor House — O.	51.5	51.5
Dubek — 8% P.O.T.	181	191
Cold Stor. & Supp. Co.—O. IL10	90	90
Elect. Wire & Cable Co. — O.	112.5	112
Solel Boneh — 10% "A" P.O.	122.5	122.5
Lighterage Supply Co. — O.	72.5	73
Chemicals & Phosphates — O.	48	49.5
Lewin Epstein — 8% P.O.T.	57	58
Kolter Textile — O.	125.5	125.5
Nechushtan — 8% P.O.T.	142	142
Teva — O.T.	75.9	75.9
Phoenecia — 8% P.O.T.	64	64
Paper Mills — O.	173	173
Assis "B" — O.	157	157
Shemen 8% — P.O.T.	75.5	74.5
"Taal" Man. of Plywood — O.	118	118
Dubek "C" — O.	120	120
Elgar — O.	107.5	107.5
Ellern Invest. Co. — O.	128	128
Bank Hapoalim Inv. Co. — O.	138	138
Export Bank Inv. Co. — O.	45	46
Paz Investment Develop. — O.	87.5	88
Ampa Investment — O.	77.5	77.5
Discount Bank Inv. Cor. — O.T.	159	160
Japhet Bank Invest. Co. — O.	130	130
Bank Leumi Invest. C. — O.	177.5	177.5
Foreign Trade Invest. C. — O.	62	61
Mizrahi Inv. Corp. — O.	112	112
Hapoel Hamizrahi Inv. Co.—O.	39.5	39.5
"Piryon" Inv. Trust—"B" Sh.	50.5	50.5
Clal Isr. Inv. Co. — O.	100	100
Naphtha — O.T.	64	64
Lapidoth — O.	107	107.5

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WALL STREET — Closing Monday, Dec. 13, 1971

Active market up 2 points

NEW YORK. — *The market was* up over two points in relatively active trading after being ahead 6 points earlier in the session. Ana*lysts say the market is being* strengthened in part by the Federal Reserve discount rate cut to 4½ per cent from 4¾ per cent announc*ed after the market closing on Friday.* They say the move has been reinforced by Morgan Guaranty's cut in its prime rate to 5¼ per cent from 5½ per cent.

Brokers add that investors are encouraged by passage of the tax cuts that are part of economic phase 2. They note the "Wall Street *Journal" report that some analysts* indicate wariness about corporate profits in phase 2 is unwarranted.

Number of shares traded amounted to 17,090,000. Advancing issues led declining issues 912 to 523. The D.J.I.A. was up 2.04 points and closed at 858.79.

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Amer. Can.	30⅝	Fair Cam.	28⅝	Marcor	31½	Sears Roe.	[illegible]
Amer. Mot.	7¾	Fair Hill	10¼	Maremont	29¾	Solit. Dev.	12⅝
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Avco	15⅜	Gen. Instr.	20½	Monsan.	45¼	Texas Instru.	113
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Boeing Co.	19⅝	Glen Alden	10	Natomas	71⅜	Transwair	42⅝
Burroughs	144⅞	W. R. Grace	27⅞	Occ. Pet. C.	12⅝	U.N. Carbide	41¼
Brunswick	38	G. W. Fin.	28	Olin Corp.	16⅛	US Smelting	20⅝
Celanese	68¼	Homest. Min.	19⅝	Otis Elev.	37⅝	Unit. Alcrft	27
Chrysler	29⅝	IBM	324¼	Pac. Petr.	28⅜	US Steel	29½
Coca-Cola	115	Int. Paper	33⅝	Panam WA	14¼	Westg. Elec	88
Comsat	61	Int. T & T	54½	Penn-Central.	4⅝	Witco. Chem	28⅝
Cont. Data	44⅝	Itek Corp.	37⅝	Pennzoil Un.	31⅝	Woolworth	48⅜
Ct. Wright	11½	Kenn. Copper	22⅝	Phil. Petro.	29⅝	Xerox Co.	119¼
Daylin	22½	Lilly & Co.	57	Polaroid	94⅝	Zapata	32⅛
Dow. Chem.	73	Ling T. Vght	10	Raytheon C.	35½	Zenith Rad.	37⅝

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SHUBINSKY SAYS OTHERS CAUSED AUTOCARS' FALL

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Mr. Yitzhak Shubinsky, founder and former general manager of Autocars, yesterday claimed that he had purchased the crippled Til auto assembly and spare parts plant only under pressure from the Government and against his own will. He added, in a statement before the Knesset Economic Committee, that the disastrous losses incurred by Autocars had occurred during a period when he was not in control of the company.

Mr. Shubinsky's statement was made before the Committee members began interrogating him, as part of their current inquiry into the collapse of the company. He had requested permission to make it to answer the many accusations made against him recently in the press and elsewhere. He will reply to the M.K.'s questions tomorrow.

Commenting on Mr. Shubinsky's remarks on the purchase of Til, Mr. Shmuel Tamir (Free Centre) said that he had challenged Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir on this point. Mr. Sapir replied, "No one can force Shubinsky to buy anything he does not want," according to Mr. Tamir.

Mr. Shubinsky said the period of disaster had been between June 1970, when Koor and the Central Trade and Investment Company bought into Leyland Ashdod, a major Autocars division, and April 1971, when they sold out to Shubinsky. During that time they appointed Board members and administrators who took all power out of his hands, Shubinsky said.

He recalled with particular resentment a "quartet" introduced by Mr. Meir Amit, head of Koor, consisting of Arye Shahar, "a man called Bin-Nun (a relative of Amit's, I think)," Levandovsky (the internal controller who has made the loudest denunciations against Mr. Shubinsky), and "Amit's chauffeur." "They controlled everything," he claimed.

But Mr. Yigal Horowitz (State List) said Mr. Amit and others had told him it was Shubinsky who ran everything. They couldn't get a finger in the pie; so they sold their shares and got out, they said.

GIGANTIC DEFICIT

Mr. Tamir said that "according to the official receiver, Autocars' outstanding debts total IL104m. Book value of assets comes to IL89m. — but the receiver thinks they are worth only half that sum. You are left with a net loss of IL60m." He asked Mr. Shubinsky: "How is it that you claim profits in 1968 and in 1969 — yet in one year, 1970, you were able to collapse into such a gigantic deficit?"

In his address, Mr. Shubinsky emphasized that the Government had decreased its protection of the local motor industry continuously. Between June 1969 and the end of August 1971, the tax on imported cars increased by 144.5 per cent, and on locally-made vehicles by 213.4 per cent. In 1969 the Government cancelled an order requiring car-hire services to purchase half their vehicles locally. At present, one-third of the cars bought in Israel are tax-exempt (mainly for new immigrants). So the Sussita and the Triumph have no tariff protection against this competition.

When Koor quit the Autocars group last April, they left IL15m. of debts, said Mr. Shubinsky. "Since then I have repaid IL10m. All I wanted, to see me through, was IL5m. we had deposited with the Government, and IL4m. of loans. British Leyland would have loaned us IL2m. — and all this catastrophe would have been averted." (Mr. Tamir's point that the debts came to IL104m. will presumably receive an answer when Mr. Shubinsky exercises his right to reply tomorrow.)

But how — Mr. Tamir queried at question-time — could you draw dividends in years of alleged profit, when according to Messrs. Amit and Levandovsky there were losses in those two years of IL4m.-6m. annually? As one committee-member noted, many people seem to have grown fat on Autocars. Mr. Levandovsky himself worked for 45 days in the company, according to Mr. Shubinsky, and went out with IL12,000.

Former Autocars general manager Yitzhak Shubinsky leaves the Knesset yesterday after testifying before the Economic Committee. (Emka)

The questions came thick and fast. "Mr. Amit says he was offered a Jaguar on becoming company chairman. When he refused, it was offered to his wife," a Knesset Member reported. Mr. Shubinsky had no recollection of such a proposal, but does recall that a Jaguar was presented to Egged, by British Leyland.

Our Haifa bureau reports: The committee appointed by the Government to re-examine the economics of assembling cars in Israel will start work in a few days, its chairman, Mr. Avigdor Bartel, general manger of the Haifa Refineries, said yesterday. He hoped the committee would finish its work within two to three weeks, "but if we find we can't do it within that time, we'll present an interim report."

1,000 gather to back Syrian Jews

More than 1,000 persons from all over the country braved the heavy rain in Jerusalem yesterday to attend a rally in support of Syrian Jewry. Recent reports from Syria say 14 more Jews, including entire families, have been imprisoned — in addition to the 12 Jews already being held.

Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim told the rally that, in view of the friendly relations between France and Syria, Syrian Jews in Israel should send a delegation to Paris, to request the French Government to intercede on behalf of the beleaguered Syrian Jewish community.

MEIR

(Continued from page 1)

nators that "Israel is the most isolated country in the world," Mrs. Meir declared: "They say we are isolated, but at least in the U.S. Congress I found unlimited friendship."

She spoke of her excitement at meeting American Jewry, and of "their enthusiasm, their concern and their love for Israel. I found a readiness among them to do for us what they have not done since 1967. They are loyal partners and ready to do anything to help us."

As to Sadat's threats of war, Mrs. Meir declared: "I think that as sensible people, we should be ready and assume war will happen because the decision is not in our hands. If we live under the belief that there won't be war, and war does break out, God forbid, it will be bad. In my opinion we must act on the assumption that war will break out."

In reply to another question, Mrs. Meir said she did not consider that the mission of the African Presidents had failed. "This is the first time that the Arabs had to run around trying to resolve a contradiction in their stand and that of the African countries. Irrespective of the vote at the Assembly, it may be said that there is a disagreement in Africa over the Middle East conflict, and the fact cannot be denied that the African Presidents put forward proposals that the Arabs refused to adopt."

Finally, asked to sum up her mood, Mrs. Meir said: "I am always in a good mood when I come back home."

Also arriving on the Premier's plane was Gahal leader Menahem Begin, M.K., who was returning from a visit to the U.S. and Britain on behalf of Israel Bonds. Replying to reporters' questions concerning politics, Mr. Begin smiled and said: "Both Mrs. Meir and I were tired, and we did not discuss the possibility of forming a national unity government."

Rain to carry on

Jerusalem Post Staff

BEIT DAGON. — Rain will continue to fall throughout the country today, but the weatherman here hopes for a let-up in the showers tomorrow. The lowest temperatures recorded were in the Golan Heights, with five degrees, and in Jerusalem, with eight degrees.

Meteorologists said the rain and cold weather originated in Russia, and were covering the entire eastern Mediterranean basin, including Cyprus.

In the northern part of the country, rain fell on and off yesterday, sometimes accompanied by thunderstorms. But the weather was not particularly cold. The spacing of the rain — with a few days of dry weather in between — pleases the farmers, because it enables the soil to absorb the moisture thoroughly.

Tel Aviv had another day of heavy thundershowers, and traffic once again came to a standstill. In southern Tel Aviv and in the main streets of Jaffa, roads became flooded early in the afternoon, causing many tie-ups. The situation was most acute in Derech Shalma and Sderot Yerushalayim.

In Gaza port, unloading of cement from the Greek freighter Alphatoris was halted yesterday because of heavy seas and high winds.

But the storm did not damage the jetty under construction as a radio report had said. The jetty is expected to be ready for operation in about two weeks.

Sapir lists broad measures to control Gov't corporations

By SHALOM COHEN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Finance Minister Sapir yesterday announced a series of broad measures to tighten control of government corporations following the wave of alleged mismanagement and possible malpractice in companies supported by public funds. He presented a long list of measures to the Knesset toward the close of his statement on the handling of government and public corporations, after having previously presented them at Sunday's Cabinet meeting.

The measures aim to give the Government more effective supervision of the corporations' dealings and directorships, to improve auditing, and to keep the Government informed of corporation activities by means of regular obligatory reports. Some measures require legislation, but many are administrative.

Mr. Sapir said the Government would speed up the drafting of several bills to tighten controls over the public economy. These include:

- A tenders law, making tenders mandatory for the Government itself and its agencies and corporations. The law would lay down rules and negotiating procedures.
- A Government corporation law, to strengthen supervision of the "activities and management of such corporations."
- A licensing and supervision law to establish the duties and rights of public utility companies, "in order to improve, and lower the cost of, service."

Regulations aimed at improving auditing and ensuring "greater credibility" of auditors' declarations, have been submitted to the Bureau of Auditors.

Further regulations to ensure "auditors' independence" are being considered by the Justice Ministry.

Mr. Sapir promised that every effort would be made to table the legislation during the Knesset's current winter session. Meanwhile, he said the following measures would be approved:

A committee, composed of civil servants and public figures, will be formed alongside the Government's Corporations Authority. Every Minister appointing members to a board of directors will first consult with this new committee.

Corporation managements will not be permitted to "sum up and close" cases of irregularities, but will have to refer them to the competent authorities — if a "senior member" is involved, to the respective Minister as well.

Each corporation will have to present to the respective minister and the Corporations Authority financial and budgetary reports, including how the budget was executed, and detailed minutes, as well as an annual business review.

As to control procedures, every board of directors will have an "internal comptroller" who will be responsible to the board chairman for disclosures and rectification of shortcomings.

The Finance Minister said the Corporations Authority would draw up mandatory rules for corporations on such matters as wages, working conditions, freight insurance, etc. The Director of the Authority will report regularly to the Knesset Finance Committee and the Ministerial Economic Committee on the Authority's work.

The Authority will examine all corporations engaged in the same branch, and recommend to the respective Ministers ways for rationalizing division of labour, increased cooperation between the concerns, and mergers. The Authority will then be able to ask a board of directors to "activate the internal comptroller for any issue it sees fit."

It will be obligatory for the Authority's Director to report on any case of corporation mismanagement to the respective Minister and the Finance Minister. In such cases, he will recommend steps, including personnel changes, as needed.

He will also be obliged to report every case of a corporation conducting activities diverging from objectives assigned to it.

THE WEATHER

	Yesterday's humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	94	8—10	7—9
Golan	88	5— 8	4— 8
Nahariya	53	11—18	9—16
Safad	95	5— 9	4— 8
Tiberias	89	12—20	11—17
Nazareth	85	8—14	7—12
Afula	45	11—18	10—16
Shomron	62	9—12	7— 9
Tel Aviv	52	13—18	10—17
Lod	55	10—19	9—17
Jericho	62	10—20	9—17
Gaza	73	12—18	10—17
Beersheba	91	9—13	7—12
Eilat	41	9—22	9—20
Tiran	37	15—21	13—20

ARRIVALS

Mr. Bernard Cherrick, Vice-President of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, from attending conferences of the Friends of the University in London and Brussels and visits to the U.S. and Canada.

DEPARTURES

Dr. Yisrael Katz, Director-General of the National Insurance Institute, for Bucharest, to attend an international conference of sociology.

Dr. Yosef Kott, chairman of Magen David Adom in Israel, for the U.S., to consult with M.D.A. leaders there.

Knesset debates Sapir statement

'Ideological bankruptcy' charged in Israel economy

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Mr. Yosef Saphir, the Gahal co-chairman, opened the Knesset's four-hour debate on Finance Minister Sapir's statement by accusing him of not treating the problem seriously. Israel's economy is ideologically bankrupt, he charged; that is the crux.

It is not just a matter of the three enterprises which had been in the news: Netivei Neft, Autocars and Vered. The public is up in arms about manifestations which have drawn comment from the State Controller year after year, as well as from former senior Government officials, Mr. Saphir said.

Reeling off the State's achievements in industry, agriculture and exports — as the Finance Minister had done — was taking the easy way out, Mr. Saphir said. Too many investments were decided upon — with too great facility.

The stricter controls which the Minister talked about should have been introduced a decade ago, he complained. Accelerated development, which rendered supervision essential, was not a new factor — and it was the accelerated development which gave rise to so much of the trouble.

Autocars will cost the public purse between IL30m. and IL40m. It won't cost Shubinsky anything, he charged. The result is a destructive example which undermines public economic morality, he said. The fact that faulty judgment is the trouble in most cases, and not criminal acts, does not solve the problem. Who in Israel can pay attention to productivity, when millions in public money is being wasted, he asked rhetorically.

The socialism aimed at by the regime has not given this country a healthy economy, Mr. Saphir said; so it is no wonder that the basis for assuring welfare and security needs is not there.

Mr. Moshe Baram (Alignment), who defended the Finance Minister's thesis solidly all along the line, was particularly upset about criticism he had heard of the kibbutz movement. He also said that private capital had not been willing to go into enterprises like the Dead Sea Works and the Timna Copper Mines, so the Government had no choice but to invest.

Public confidence has been shaken, according to Dr. Yehuda Ben-Meir (N.R.P.); and this is a grave matter at a time when the public is being asked to make so many sacrifices. Netivei Neft and Autocars are only a part. Since the Six Day War, conspicuous consumption has become all too conspicuous a feature among certain sectors of the public. Israel has a new class of people, who live at far too high a standard — but all at the expense of the public in one way or another.

OTHER SPEAKERS

Other speakers in the debate made the following points:

- The failure of certain Government corporations is only one facet of the general economic malaise. Somebody must take the responsibility for failures. At the same time, Mr. Sapir is not responsible for the present situation personally, but rather the system is (Mr. Yigal Horowitz — State List).
- The majority favours a large public economy, in the infrastructure especially; but it insists that the economy be properly managed. Many a State corporation has been operating independently and prospering, but without minimal supervision. Even the State Companies Authority fails to get information from the corporations, because it lacks coercive powers (Mr. Yitzhak Golan — I.L.P.).
- The present public concern may well point to the fact that David Ben-Gurion was right, at the time of his resignation, in his charges of moral backsliding. The current criticism of malpractice, among the public and in the press, is a praiseworthy phenomenon — which, moreover, can ensure this country's credibility in the eyes of Diaspora Jewry (Mr. Mordechai Ben-Porat — Alignment).
- The Finance Minister ought to discern an "aesthetic" fault in the way he raised contributions for kibbutz cultural centres (Mr. Haim Corfu — Gahal).
- It is not socialist ideology which has brought about the present state of affairs in the economy but rather departure from the path of socialist ideology. Measures should be introduced to make corruption impossible and to intensify supervision (Mr. Shlomo Rosen — Alignment — Mapam).
- In an enlightened country, the whole Cabinet would have resigned (Mr. Uri Avneri — Ha'olam Hazeh).
- All failures are the responsibility of the Knesset as well as of the Government. Either the Knesset did not want to probe the situation properly — or it did not create the tools required for such probes (Mr. Adi Amoral — Alignment).
- A stop must be put to the flow of hundreds of millions of pounds from the Treasury to "privileged" enterprises. No more war profiteers must be allowed to enrich themselves at public expense (Dr. Moshe Sneh — Communists).

Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir will reply to the debate on Wednesday.

LEGAL VALIDITY IN DOUBT, BUT

Rabbi Zolti 'named' Chief Rabbi of J'lem

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A large number of Jerusalem's leading rabbis, *dayanim* and deans of *yeshivot* gathered in the Kiryat Shmuel home of Rabbi Bezalel Zolti last night to "crown" him as their Chief Rabbi of Jerusalem. Rabbi Zolti is a *dayan* of the Supreme Rabbinical Court. His appointment — by a committee representing the Capital's district rabbis — is of questionable legal validity, since it was not made in accordance with the Law for Election of Town Rabbis. This stipulates an electoral college comprising delegates of the Municipality, the Religious Council, and local rabbis.

Jerusalem, however, has been without a chief rabbi for about 11 years, since the death of the last incumbent, Rabbi Pessah Zvi Frank, mainly because the various political parties could not agree on his successor. Judging by last night's turnout, Rabbi Zolti has the support of a large section of Jerusalem's rabbinate.

Among those present were Rabbis Eliezer Goldschmidt, Yosef Eliashiv and Yosef Kapah, members of the Supreme Rabbinical Court; Rabbi Shlomo Auerbach, Head of Yeshivat Kol Tora; Rabbi Moshe Hevroni, head of Yeshivat Hevron; and six Jerusalem district rabbis. The rabbi of Kiryat Shmuel, Rabbi Yitzhak Levin, chaired the proceedings.

Rabbi Menahem Porush, M.K., brought greetings "from the Municipality" (he is a deputy mayor), and Rabbi Moshe Adler "from the Religious Council" (he is one of its deputy chairmen).

Rabbi Zolti was seated before a large cake, with the reason for the festivities inscribed on it in icing sugar. Hundreds of his admirers squashed into the flat and surrounded the "head table," while the new chief *rebbetzin* (his wife) listened in to the speeches from the kitchen.

Sharing the landing with Rabbi Zolti's home is that of State Attorney Gavriel Bach. Uninvited, he followed the proceedings on the radio. When The Jerusalem Post *asked him for a legal comment, he would only say that Rabbi Zolti was not endangering his position as a* dayan *by his action. As to the validity of the Chief Rabbi's appointment Mr. Bach would only say: "I'm sure it's all right under Jewish law — Rabbi Zolti must have checked it."*

Rabbi Zolti's supporters are hoping, in the course of time, circumstances will allow for his formal election under the law.

SHMUEL PASSMAN DEAD AT 83

TEL AVIV. — Shmuel Charles Passman, veteran member and leader of several philanthropic organizations, died in Gedera Sunday night. He was 83.

The funeral will leave from Jerusalem's Sanhedria Funeral Parlour at 2 p.m. today.

A native of Brisk, Lithuania, Passman emigrated to the U.S. in his youth and became active in Zionist organizations. In 1919 he came to this country, where he continued his active organizational work until his retirement five years ago.

Among the organizations in which he was active were Kehillat Zion Company, established by American Jews to buy land in Palestine; the I.C.A., founded by Baron de Hirsch; the Joint Distribution Committee, whose Palestine office he headed during World War II; and Malben, whose leadership he assumed in 1949.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters and grandchildren.

One of the daughters is the wife of Mr. Ephraim Evron, former Ambassador to Canada.

SHAZAR APPOINTS FOUR NEW JUDGES

President Zalman Shazar yesterday appointed Ya'acov A. Yanon and Dov Frankel as regional labour court judges, and Kassem Nasher and Yoav Kattan as judges in Magistrates' Courts.

SHOSHANI, T.A. COUNCILLOR, DIES

TEL AVIV. — Sa'adia Shoshani, a member of the Tel Aviv City Council for more than 40 years and a deputy mayor in the 1950s, died at Ichilov Hospital last night. He was 82.

Born in Russia, Shoshani came to Israel in 1907. He was a pioneer of the printing trade. The Manufacturers Association and the Landlords Association were among the many organizations which he helped found.

He is survived by his wife, Hanna, and two sons. *(Itim)*

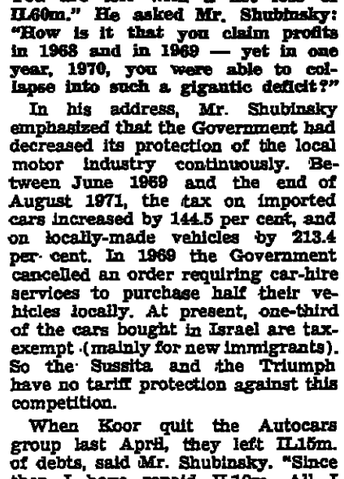
Fire at offices of 'Hatzofeh'

TEL AVIV. — A fire broke out in the archive of "Hatzofeh," the National Religious Party daily newspaper last night. The fire, which was noticed at 9.30, did not spread to other parts of the building, Rehov Hamasger, and was extinguished in less than two hours.

Police experts immediately began investigating the cause of the fire and the possibility of arson. *(Itim)*

Museums free today for Hanukka

Israel Museum and Rockefeller Museum will be open to the public today with no entrance fee in honour of Hanukka. The hours at the former are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., and at the latter, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. One hundred and five works by Kaethe Kollwitz will go on exhibition at Israel Museum this evening, and will remain on view for 40 days.



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